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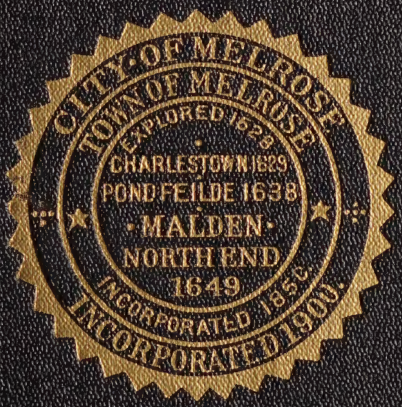

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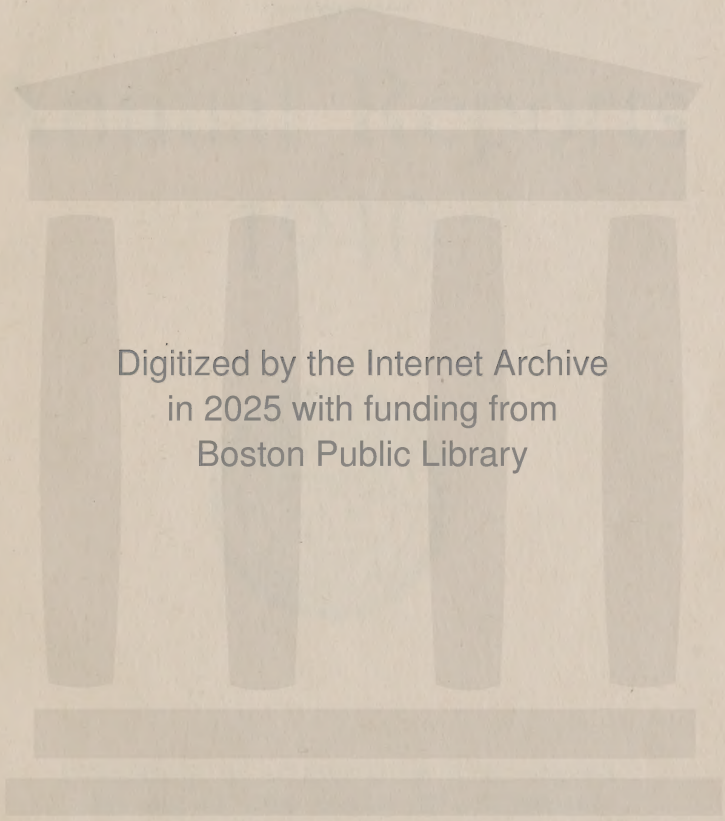
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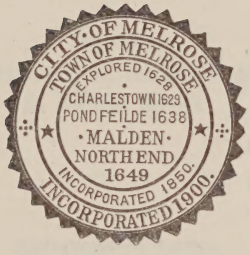

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GOVERNMENT

OF THE

City of Melrose, 1940

Mayor

ROBERT A. PERKINS

64 Vinton Street

President of the Board of Aldermen

HOWARD R. TRUE

85 Warwick Road

City Clerk

RAYMOND H. GREENLAW

38 Laurel Street

Aldermen-at-Large

Paul H. Provandie 2nd, 84 East Street

Herman A. Black, 68 Wentworth Road

Albert M. Tibbetts, 35 Cedar Park

Walter W. Bruce, 260 W. Wyoming Avenue

Ward Aldermen

1. Howard R. True, 85 Warwick Road
2. Geoffrey G. Felt, 37 Elm Street
3. Herbert M. Davis, 156 Florence Street
4. Theron M. Hatch, 97 Ardsmoor Road
5. John F. Rand, 4 Waverly Place
6. Theodore J. Vaitses, 15 Laurel Street
7. Joseph I. Meharg, 495 Swain's Pond Avenue

COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

Appropriations

Alderman Albert M. Tibbetts, Chairman; Aldermen Rand, Vaitses, Bruce, Black, Davis, Felt, Hatch, Meharg, and Provandie

Education, Health and Public Welfare

Alderman Joseph I. Meharg, Chairman; Aldermen Felt, Provandie, Rand, and Davis

Financial and Legal Matters

Alderman Theron M. Hatch, Chairman; Aldermen Black, Tibbetts, Bruce, and Vaitses

Highways

Alderman Herman A. Black, Chairman; Aldermen Vaitses, Bruce, Davis, and Provandie

Protection, License and Public Service

Alderman Geoffrey G. Felt, Chairman; Aldermen Tibbetts, Meharg, Hatch, and Rand

Clerk of Committees

Wesley H. Murray 12 W. Wyoming Avenue

CITY OFFICERS AND OFFICE HOURS

The offices hereinafter named shall be open to the public for the transaction of business from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m. daily except Saturdays, Sundays and Legal Holdays, viz. the offices of the City Clerk, City Collector, Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works, Board of Assessors, Board of Health, Board of Public Welfare, City Treasurer and City Auditor; and on Saturdays the said offices shall be open as aforesaid from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, except when a legal holiday falls on a Saturday. The aforesaid offices shall be open on the first and third Mondays of every month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., and all other Monday evenings from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. except during the months of July and August. (Chapter 33, Section 10, of the Revised Ordinances.)

City Clerk
Raymond H. Greenlaw

Assistant City Clerk
E. Maude Brown

City Treasurer and Collector
S. Homer Buttrick

City Auditor
Gardner B. Wardwell

Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works
Fred E. Ellis

City Solicitor
Thomas McKie

Mayor's Secretary
Blanche E. Nickerson

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief
Sidney C. Field

Deputy Chief
Office Vacant

Fire Warden
Sidney C. Field

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Captain
Louis B. Heaton

Lieutenant
William T. Fahy

Building Commissioner
Malcolm G. Fillmore

Inspector of Plumbing
Fred A. Young

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering
Bertram S. Killian, V.S.

Inspector of Milk and Vinegar
Harold R. Munro

Sealer of Weights and Measures
Wesley H. Murray

Burial Agent and Agent for State and Military Aid and Soldiers' Relief

Willard Thompson

Assessors

Frank J. Sherman, Chairman
Norman MacDonald
Frederick W. Patten
Lawrence E. Lovejoy, Executive Clerk

Inspector of Wires

Fred A. Edwards

Board of Health

Dr. Albert E. Small, Chairman — Howard O. Milton
Dr. Walter H. Flanders

City Physician

Dr. Frederick A. Dunham

School Physicians

Dr. Jackson Flanders
Dr. Walter H. Flanders
Dr. Donato T. Scenna

Board of Public Welfare

Roy M. Cushman, Chairman
John W. Huse, Alice M. Fay, Helen S. Campbell, Carl A. Raymond,
Laura A. Talbot, Superintendent

Park Commission

John R. Davis, Chairman	Term	Expires	1943
Elmer O. Goodridge	"	"	1945
Grace T. Hume	"	"	1941
Walter C. Verge	"	"	1942
Roscoe C. Wallace	"	"	1944

George W. Rogers, Superintendent

Board of Appeal

Charles H. Hunter, Chairman	Term	Expires	1942
Lloyd E. Conn	"	"	1941
Lewis C. Hennigar	"	"	1941
George H. Varney	"	"	1944
Royal B. Wills			Holdover

Edwin H. King, Clerk

Superintendent of Schools

Herman H. Stuart

School Committee Members

Benning L. Wentworth, Chairman	Term	Expires	1943
Margaret H. Lang, Cor. Sec'y	"	"	1941
Charles H. Adams	"	"	1941
Warren L. Adams	"	"	1943
Robert A. Friend	"	"	1941
Kenneth L. Maclachlan	"	"	1943
Edward J. Wall	"	"	1941
Anna C. Washburn	"	"	1943
Lester N. Woodland	"	"	1943

Trustees of Memorial Building

Leon H. Palmer, Chairman	Term	Expires	1942
Leslie B. Ellis	"	"	1942
Louis K. McNally	"	"	1943
Charles L. Robinson	"	"	1943
Leon B. Smith	"	"	1941

Trustees of Public Library

Rev. Paul Sterling, Chairman	Term Expires		1942
Frank W. Campbell	"	"	1941
Thomas E. Hannegan	"	"	1943
Carita H. Lovejoy	"	"	1941
Myrtie F. Seaverns	"	"	1943
Dr. Willis M. Townsend	"	"	1942

Cemetery Committee

William J. McClintock, Chairman

Joseph Casey — Howard O. Milton

Linwood A. Leavitt, Acting Superintendent

Inspector of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves

Roscoe C. Wallace

Registrars of Voters

John J. Keating	Term Expires		1941
Philip H. Dorn	"	"	1943
Charles E. Holt	"	"	1942
Raymond H. Greenlaw, City Clerk			Ex-officio

Assistant Registrars of Voters

Gladys U. Bragdon

Hugh F. Calt, Jr.

Bertha V. Camerlin

Helen M. Goodwin

Julia C. Gorvin

Harriet C. Holdich

Laura vK. Pack

Frank W. Wheeler

Dog Officer

Louis B. Heaton

Planning Board

Allen L. Giles, Chairman	Term	Expires	1943
Lucy Steer, Secretary	"	"	1942
William L. Bailey	"	"	1941
Joseph G. Bryer	"	"	1941
Eunice H. Calpin	"	"	1943
George G. Glover	"	"	1941
Roger G. Rand	"	"	1942
Edward F. Riley	"	"	1943
Mary D. Whitney	"	"	1942

Board of Survey

Edwin E. Prior	Term	Expires	1942
Rufus W. Smith	"	"	1943
One vacancy			

Retirement Board

Gardner B. Wardwell, Chairman	City Auditor		
John R. Davis	Term	Expires	1940
S. Hale Harding, Secretary	"	"	1941

Property Valuation Board

S. Homer Buttrick, Chairman; Malcolm G. Fillmore, Frank J. Sherman

Fence Viewers

Arthur L. Marr Thomas J. McArdle
Edward J. Murphy

Constables

Louis B. Heaton
William T. Fahy
M. James Hanley
Wesley H. Murray
Frank P. Holmes
Arthur W. Kimball
Howard E. Nicholls
Arthur Clyde Champlin

Keeper of the Lock-Up

Louis B. Heaton

REPORT OF BOARD OF APPEAL

To the Honorable Mayor
and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter XXIX of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Melrose I have the honor to submit herewith the annual Report of the Board of Appeal for the year 1940.

On January 16, 1940 the Board organized for the year electing Mr. Charles A. Hunter, Chairman, and re-electing Edwin H. King, Secretary.

The Board of Appeal heard more cases in 1940 than in any year since it was established. This was due to increased restrictions in both the Zoning Ordinances and the Building Code, and also better supervision of the law.

A summary of the cases acted on by the Board in 1940 is as follows:

Decision of the Building Commissioner upheld	10
Appeals Granted	18
Appeals withdrawn	2
	30

Respectfully submitted,

BOARD OF APPEAL

Charles A. Hunter,
Chairman

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To His Honor, the Mayor,
and The Honorable Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

The Board of Assessors respectfully submits the following report of the Assessing Department for the year ending December 31, 1940:

Taxable Valuation of the City:		
Real Estate	$35,797,200.00	
Personal Estate	2,727,800.00	
Total	$38,525,000.00	
Tax Rate $33.60 per $1,000.00		
BUDGET		
City Appropriations:		
To be raised by taxation	$ 1,512,704.20	
From Available Funds	57,768.78	
Total		$1,570,472.98
State Assessments—1940 Estimates:		
State Tax	92,480.00	
Charles River Basin	3,798.86	
Metropolitan Parks—Reservations	13,268.10	
Nantasket Beach Main.	985.52	
Boulevards	1,521.43	
Wellington Bridge Main.	33.24	
Metropolitan Planning Division	229.59	
Metropolitan Sewerage—No. System	28,982.80	
Metropolitan Water	60,105.53	
Hospital or Home Care for Civil War Veterans	480.00	
Smoke Inspection Service	430.54	
Water to Saugus	520.00	
Total State Assessments—1940		$ 202,835.61
State Assessments—1939 Underestimates:		
Metropolitan Planning Division	14.49	
West Roxbury—Brookline Parkway	.11	
Total State 1939 Underestimates		14.60

County Assessments:			
1940 Tax		$ 49,678.46	
Tuberculosis Hospital		18,998.84	
Total County Assessments			$ 68,677.30
Overlay—1940			29,317.13
Total—All Appropriations and Assessments			$1,871,317.62
Estimated Receipts—City:			
Motor Vehicle Excise	$59,500.00		
Licenses and Permits	3,500.00		
Fines	300.00		
General Government	7,700.00		
Health and Sanitation	10,000.00		
Highways	15,000.00		
Charities	25,000.00		
Old Age Assistance	45,000.00		
Soldiers' Benefits	1,900.00		
Schools	2,400.00		
Recreation	100.00		
Public Service Enterprises	97,000.00		
Cemeteries	5,700.00		
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	15,000.00		
Interest on Assessments	3,800.00		
Apportioned Betterments	25,000.00		
Total Estimated Receipts—City		$317,400.00	
Estimated Receipts—State:			
Income Tax	98,916.06		
Corporation Taxes	12,562.60		
Gasoline Tax	52,450.23		
Veterans' Exemption	143.38		
Total Estimated Receipts—State		164,072.27	
State—1939 Overestimates:			
Charles River Basin	546.68		
Met. Pks.—Reservations	2,882.04		
Nantasket Beach Maint.	186.61		
Wellington Bridge Maint.	5.24		
Met. Sewerage—No. System	3,216.63		
Met. Water	1,333.27		

Smoke Inspection Service ..	5.19		
1939 Public Utility Taxes ..	13,078.91		
Total State 1939 Overestimates		21,254.57	
Available Funds		57,768.78	
Total Deductions			560,495.62
Amount to be Raised by Taxation ...			$1,310,822.00
How Raised:			
8,191 Polls @ $2.00 each		$ 16,382.00	
Personal Property $2,727,800 @ $33.60		91,654.08	
Real Estate $35,797,200.00 @ $33.60 ...		1,202,785.92	
Total Raised			$1,310,822.00
Number of persons, partnerships, and corporations assessed on property		6,280	
Number of persons assessed for Poll Tax		8,191	
Number of horses assessed		37	
Number of cows assessed		165	
Number of dwellings assessed		5,858	

VALUATION OF EXEMPTED PROPERTY

	Personal	Real Estate
City Property	$384,900.00	$4,390,800.00
Benevolent Institutions	265,750.00	329,000.00
Cemeteries	500.00	22,400.00
Charitable Institutions	5,500.00	39,700.00
Houses of Religious Worship	40,000.00	909,000.00
Literary Institutions	11,500.00	106,400.00
Organizations of War Veterans	3,000.00	18,900.00
Parsonages	0.00	30,000.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	0.00	17,000.00
	$711,150.00	$5,863,200.00

The following taxes in addition to the foregoing were committed to the Collector:

Motor Vehicle Excise			$ 76,021.41
Apportioned Sewer Taxes	$ 5,456.59		
" Sidewalk Taxes	5,093.00		
" Street Taxes	6,798.18		
" Interest	3,774.46	$	21,121.23

ADDENDUM

Year	Census	Dwellings	Polls	Value Buildings	Value Land	Total Val. Real Estate	Value Personal Estate	Total Valuation	Rate per $1,000	City Appropriation	Sewerage Tax	Other State Levies	State Tax	County Tax	Overlay	Total Tax Levy	Year
1920	18,371	3,981	4,585	12,799,450	6,079,350	18,878,800	2,206,600	21,085,400	29.50	569,876.17	19,111.76	12,381.78† 2,177.13‡	57,174.00‡ 461.53‡	23,923.39‡ 882.60‡ 13,755.05‡	9,098.07	708,821.41‡ *63,877.11‡	1920
1921	18,670	4,010	4,661	13,453,550	6,417,750	19,871,300	2,606,050	22,477,350	30.80	623,903.04	23,447.16	13,576.76‡ 2,254.37‡	57,174.00‡ 545.34‡	31,197.18‡ 724.32‡	10,697.21‡ 13,983.00‡	777,502.38‡ *61,895.00‡	1921
1922	18,964	4,048	5,424	14,017,500	6,469,050	20,486,550	2,617,950	23,104,500	32.60	684,835.78	21,359.60	14,037.11‡ 2,213.39‡	46,560.00‡ 557.06‡	29,576.48‡ 232.67‡	19,182.61‡ 16,272.00‡	834,826.70‡ *54,500.00‡	1922
1923	19,368	4,106	5,492	16,198,650	6,570,350	22,769,000	2,710,800	25,479,800	30.80	715,248.68	23,547.37‡ 1,935.89‡	15,293.01‡ 2,441.56‡	46,560.00‡ 471.68‡	28,652.62‡ 237.98‡	20,795.85‡ 16,476.00‡	871,660.64‡ *59,422.80‡	1923
1924	20,197	4,208	5,658	17,404,450	6,823,800	24,228,250	2,978,700	27,206,950	30.60	772,887.24	22,848.59	15,503.70‡ 2,388.03‡	38,800.00‡ 568.00‡	30,876.18‡ 249.00‡	20,646.66‡ 223.34‡	904,991.57‡ *61,142.90‡	1924
1925	20,302	4,311	5,815	18,699,000	6,875,500	25,574,500	3,183,200	28,757,700	32.20	850,764.17	25,330.96‡ 843.09‡	17,142.06‡ 2,593.26‡	47,040.00‡ 629.87‡	35,829.68‡ 254.72‡	17,848.88‡ 66.39‡ 237.26‡	998,581.50‡ *60,953.60‡	1925
1926	20,865	4,449	5,994	20,467,600	7,317,500	27,785,100	3,481,900	31,270,000	32.10	925,465.94	26,278.73	19,505.23‡ 2,603.30‡ 3,235.32‡ 231.68‡ 302.58‡	47,040.00‡ 436.05‡ 408.10‡	39,379.87‡ 255.04‡	14,812.61	1,080,024.45‡ *64,269.45‡	1926
1927	21,653	4,575	6,268	21,854,250	7,363,350	29,217,600	3,558,500	32,776,100	31.20	946,741.98	27,452.61	19,880.42‡ 1,952.55‡ 2,513.34‡ 397.26‡	47,040.00‡ 568.00‡ 262.64‡ 265.47‡ 33.88‡	41,025.11‡ 4,306.77‡	10,530.11	1,102,970.51‡ *67,820.19‡	1927
1928	22,587	4,708	6,591	23,575,450	7,479,300	31,054,750	3,526,450	34,581,200	31.60	1,043,604.08	27,025.33	17,152.10‡ 2,961.86‡ 634.97‡ 786.90‡ 1,435.56‡	37,315.00‡ 273.27‡ 2,051.95‡ 253.16‡ 121.29‡ 2.66‡	39,291.06‡ 3,010.85‡	14,719.84	1,190,639.22‡ *84,691.30‡	1928
1929	23,440	4,858	6,684	25,120,150	7,693,400	32,813,550	2,226,425	35,039,975	33.60	1,167,879.76	26,793.55	21,063.33‡ 3,440.37‡ 217.11‡ 2,279.25‡ 11,977.86‡	40,800.00‡ 276.98‡ 107.20‡ 40.00‡ 291.05‡ 296.77‡ 507.05‡ 3.75‡	46,424.10	21,885.53	1,190,711.16	1929
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1930	23,566	4,912	6,826	25,861,450	7,676,600	33,538,050	2,372,000	35,910,050	33.20	1,288,131.03	18,533.02	26,965.45‡ 4,326.09‡ 419.35‡	33,600.00‡ 668.32‡ 6,353.30‡ 789.18‡ 260.00‡	50,722.91‡ 5,300.77‡	14,101.74	1,451,671.66‡ *245,806.00‡	1930
1931	23,712	4,987	7,027	26,265,500	7,792,300	34,057,800	2,480,100	36,537,900	35.20	1,394,583.11	18,525.48	25,998.96‡ 4,619.94‡ 740.70‡	36,000.00‡ 7,027.00‡ 590.00‡ 665.16‡	59,803.18‡ 5,631.87‡	15,978.06	1,570,163.46‡ *262,948.38‡	1931
1932	23,783	5,035	7,116	26,678,850	7,887,000	34,565,850	2,255,100	36,820,950	31.80	1,327,235.27 †90,057.05	17,334.15	92,873.07	50,797.50	50,847.38‡ 8,893.99‡	21,674.18	1,659,712.59‡ *467,458.38‡	1932
1933	23,534	5,076	7,240	26,649,700	7,931,200	34,580,900	2,108,600	36,689,500	33.60	1,348,025.24 †206,930.62	16,643.37	90,190.89	46,890.00	47,082.90‡ 16,653.34‡	34,866.13‡ 239.34‡	1,807,521.83‡ *553,034.63‡	1933
1934	23,565	5,432	7,299	26,718,150	7,896,500	34,614,650	2,076,550	36,691,200	33.00	1,356,488.97 †161,818.77	15,919.98	83,642.67	52,100.00	51,830.98‡ 15,538.41‡	27,844.47‡ 4,088.45‡	1,769,272.70‡ *543,865.10‡	1934
1935	24,256	5,455	7,575	26,682,550	7,979,650	34,662,200	2,200,200	36,862,400	36.00	1,472,523.20 †58,458.65	15,900.00	86,026.53	53,200.00	53,368.63‡ 14,369.73‡	22,072.32‡ 211.20‡	1,776,130.26‡ *433,933.86‡	1935
1936	23,924	5,497	7,577	26,544,150	7,966,900	34,511,050	2,145,200	36,656,250	32.00	1,357,988.36 †252,452.98	19,348.97	84,984.35	16,800.00	55,441.81‡ 15,567.21‡	19,812.19‡ 892.02‡	1,823,287.89‡ *635,133.89‡	1936
1937	23,891	5,674	7,106	27,013,900	7,972,300	34,986,200	2,420,000	37,406,200	33.80	1,416,969.65 †138,894.78	22,612.66	86,408.42	64,400.00	56,912.59‡ 15,608.79‡	15,889.11‡ 3,167.76‡	1,820,863.76‡ *542,322.20‡	1937
1938	24,050	5,748	7,175	27,619,400	8,089,000	35,708,400	2,807,500	38,515,900	34.40	1,502,168.38‡ †61,646.44‡	22,916.59	89,157.51	50,440.00	59,058.70‡ 32,760.51‡	18,876.83‡ 1,084.67‡	1,838,109.63‡ *498,212.67‡	1938
1939	24,670	5,790	7,977	27,584,800	8,189,000	35,773,800	2,726,250	38,500,050	33.80	1,491,463.07‡ †102,231.21‡	27,001.39	142,027.68	104,040.00	49,678.46‡ 18,408.73‡	17,925.87	1,952,776.41‡ *635,520.72‡	1939
1940	25,232	5,858	8,191	27,749,950	8,047,250	35,797,200	2,727,800	38,525,000	33.60	1,512,704.20‡ †57,768.78‡	28,982.80	81,387.41	92,480.00	49,678.46‡ 18,998.84‡	29,317.13	1,871,317.62‡ *560,495.62‡	1940

* .... * .... • Following the 1929 State audit, changes were made in the accounting method which render impossible comparisons of appropriations between the years previous and those following.

† From Available Funds

• Receipts.

Unapportioned Sewer Taxes	$ 50,958.70		
" Sidewalk Taxes	4,755.59		
" Street Taxes	4,815.24		
" Interest	29.18	$	60,558.71
Additional Polls (89)		$	178.00
Additional Personal Tax (2)		$	26.98

During the year 27,575 items were committed to the Collector for Collection.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK J. SHERMAN
FREDERICK W. PATTEN
NORMAN D. MacDONALD
Board of Assessors

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

of the

City of Melrose

for the

Year Ending December 31st

1940

Organization of Board

Albert E. Small, M. D., Chairman — Howard O. Milton
Walter H. Flanders, M. D.

School Physicians

Walter H. Flanders, M. D. — Donato T. Scenna, M. D.
Jackson Flanders, M. D.

School Nurses

Myrtle S. Meriam, R. N. — Elsie M. Ashmead, R. N.

Public Health Nurse

Myrtle S. Meriam, R. N.

Inspectors

Plumbing	Fred A. Young
Milk	Harold R. Munro
Animals	Bertram S. Killian, D. V. M.

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts,

Gentlemen:

The Board of Health herewith respectfully submits its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1940.

GENERAL HEALTH: The total number of deaths in Melrose was 289 as against 294 for the previous year. This gives us a corrected death rate of 10.16 which is the lowest the city has experienced since 1931. Our birth-rate has also increased to 13.25 which

again is the highest rate that we have had since 1931. Four times in the past eight years the death-rate has exceeded the birth-rate and we are glad to report a decided change this past year. Our population has been steadily increasing but with a birth-rate less than the death-rate the population increase would have to be due to immigration into our city. This would necessarily mean an increase in the percentage age population and would normally cause an apparent increase in the death-rate. It will be interesting to compare the population percentages for the different age groups when the 1940 census figures are released, with those of the 1930 census. Presumably there has been an increase in the upper age groups and if our corrected death-rate has at the same time decreased it speaks well for the general health of the city. A table is appended showing birth-rates and death-rates since 1900.

Our report shows 19 stillbirths which is an unusually high figure but it must be borne in mind that only three of these were to Melrose residents. Our infant mortality is also apparently high but when it is corrected for residents it is reduced to 11.83. The effect of having a hospital within our midst which serves many of the surrounding communities must be considered when comparing our rates with other communities.

Diphtheria,—One case was recorded for the year. This occurred in an unimmunized child, the source of infection being from a carrier who lived in another city. No further cases developed from this one. During the past year the department has continued to send birthday cards urging parents to have their infants immunized. We have immunized 57 pre-school children and 502 pupils in the first and second grades of school.

Scarlet Fever,—During the past year 22 cases were reported, the smallest number for the past ten years. It is a matter of regret to your department that of these 22, 3 were mothers who contracted scarlet fever while caring for a child ill with the disease. We believe that had we had adequate nursing facilities these 3 cases might have been averted. The expense to the city of caring for our own cases and those living elsewhere but with settlements in Melrose has been extremely high. We believe that some of this expense could have been easily saved if we had had a public health nurse.

Pulmonary Tuberculosis,—There were 12 new cases reported, which seems like an unduly large number but taking into consideration that 6 of these were ill with the disease when they moved into Melrose during the year, it leaves only 6 originating in our community. Of these 6, 2 were discovered in the earliest possible stages as a result of continuous follow-up from the tuberculin-testing program in the High School in 1939. These two individuals should have the greatest possible chance of making a perfect recovery. In contrast, one case developed in an individual who had refused the proffered test and is now in a far advanced condition.

Rabies,—A clinic for immunizing dogs was conducted as in previous years but owing to extremely inclement weather all three days of the clinic, only 297 dogs were immunized. With the gradual approach of rabies in dogs nearer to our community, it it to be hoped our clinic will be more successful the coming year.

SANITATION: Milk,—In 1940 we introduced the phosphatase test to control the efficiency of pasteurization. Faulty pasteurization was detected in seven instances, for the most part due to leaky valves, and in general the operators were glad to receive this information. We feel that the City of Melrose is obtaining on the average a better quality of milk than is the case in other communities. Our greatest problem is still how to handle the small dealers who peddle only a few quarts of milk a day and usually of the worst quality.

Boarding Houses for Infants,—12 applications were approved.

Bakery Inspection,—All bakeries were inspected and all found in a satisfactory condition.

Nuisances,—Complaints received 43, number with no cause for complaint 23, abated, 17, referred to Property Valuation Board 3.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. SMALL, M.D.
WALTER H. FLANDERS
HOWARD O. MILTON
Board of Health

TABLE I

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	1939	Totals 1939	1940	Totals 1940
Total Appropriation		$21,200.00		
EXPENDITURES				
Salaries and Wages		$9,741.67		$9,749.98
Chairman	$1,200.00		$1,200.00	
Board Members	91.67		84.98	
Clerk	1,600.00		1,600.00	
Substitute Clerk			15.00	
School Physicians	900.00		900.00	
School Nurses	3,300.00		3,300.00	
Inspector of Animals	200.00		200.00	
Inspector of Milk	800.00		800.00	
Inspector of Plumbing	1,650.00		1,650.00	
Other Expenses		764.91		1,079.79
Dead Animals	119.00		85.50	
Dumps and Dump Signs	1.50		1.50	
Ads and Reports	3.00		5.50	
Telephone	86.34		69.32	
Car Maintenance	221.77		240.75	
Postage and Express	41.40		30.78	
Office Supplies	195.45		382.09	
Sub. Clerk	55.00		15.00	
Sundries	41.45		59.38	
Filing Cases			189.97	
Tuberculosis		7,138.25		5,995.88
Outside Aid	1,323.00		497.13	
Board & Supplies in Hospitals	5,803.00		5,493.75	
Medicine and Sputum Cups	12.25		5.00	
Quarantine and Contagious Disease		1,156.82		1,467.95
Board & Supplies in Hospitals	1,108.88		1,417.20	
Anti-rabic & Immunizing Trts.	27.00		8.12	
Medicine	13.94		5.00	
Sundries	7.00		37.63	
Care and Disposal of Stray Animals		250.00		250.00
Immunization of Dogs		164.83		293.57
Total Expenditures		$19,216.48		$18,837.17
Revenues of Board of Health		4,513.78		3,899.53
Licenses and Permits	135.50		135.50	
Reimbursements	4,378.28		3,764.03	

TABLE II

CASES AND DEATHS OF DISEASES DANGEROUS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH (By months)

This table includes all cases (with their deaths) irrespective of whether cases were transported into the city from elsewhere or were contracted outside the City: also all Melrose cases dying in hospitals out of town.

Months	Diphtheria		Scarlet Fever		Measles		Lobar Pneumonia		Whooping Cough		Septic Sore Throat		Tuberculosis						Totals	
													Pulmonary and Miliary		Meningeal		Other Forms			
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
January	0	0	1	0	2	0	8	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	25	0
February	0	0	1	0	0	0	9	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	17	0
March	0	0	3	0	0	0	13	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	0
April	0	0	3	0	3	0	9	0	4	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	22	1
May	0	0	3	0	3	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	12	0
June	0	0	3	0	6	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	17	0
July	0	0	1	0	21	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	29	2
August	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0
September	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
October	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
November	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	8	2
December	0	0	7	0	2	0	9	2	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	24	3
TOTALS	1	0	22	0	39	0	61	3	52	0	1	0	12	4	1	1	2	0	190	8

TABLE III

CASES AND DEATHS OF CERTAIN DISEASES FOR TEN YEARS

This table includes all cases (with their deaths) irrespective of whether they were transported into the City from elsewhere or were contracted outside the City; also all deaths of Melrose cases dying in hospitals out of town.

Years	Diphtheria		Scarlet Fever		Typhoid Fever		Measles		Lobar Pneumonia		Ophthalmia Neonatorum		Poliomyelitis		Whooping Cough		Tuberculosis					
																	Pulmonary and Miliary		Meningeal		Other Forms	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
1931	8	0	77	0	3	1	33	0			0	0	6	1	15	0	19	10	0	0	1	0
1932	13	2	133	2	2	0	168	0			0	0	0	0	46	1	15	8	1	1	9	2
1933	0	0	63	0	5	2	23	0			0	0	0	0	47	0	19	6	0	0	2	1
1934	2	0	83	0	0	0	584	2			0	0	2	0	26	1	19	3	1	2	2	0
1935	0	0	27	0	0	0	12	0			0	0	9	0	7	0	10	5	0	0	6	0
1936	3	0	25	0	2	0	102	0			0	0	0	0	15	0	8	6	0	0	1	0
1937	1	0	49	0	4	1	362	0	49	11	0	0	4	0	51	0	11	2	1	1	1	0
1938	1	0	29	0	0	0	8	0	48	11	1	0	0	0	11	0	12	7	1	2	2	1
1939	1	0	27	0	1	1	62	0	68	9	0	0	1	0	33	0	6	6	1	1	2	1
1940	1	0	22	0	0	0	39	0	61	3	0	0	0	0	52	0	12	4	1	1	2	0

TABLE IV

INFANT MORTALITY

(Not including stillbirths)

YEAR 1940	Total under 1 year	Under 1 day	1-2 days	2-3 days	3 days to 1 week	1-2 weeks	2-3 weeks	3 weeks to 1 month	1-2 months	2-3 months	3-6 months	6-9 months	9-12 months
January													
February													
March										1			1
April	4	2											
May	2	1	1										
June	1								1				
July	3	2	1										
August													
September	2	2											
October													
November	2	1									1		
December	1	1											
Male	11	7	1						1	1	1		
Female	4	2	1										1
White	15	9	2						1	1	1		1
Colored													

TABLE V
INFANT MORTALITY

Class No.	Year 1940		Ages														
			Under 1 year	Under 1 month	Under 1 day	1 to 2 days	2 to 3 days	3 days to 1 week	1 to 2 weeks	2 to 3 weeks	3 weeks to 1 month	1 to 2 months	2 to 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 9 months	9 to 12 months
13	Dysentery	M	1									1				
		F														
119	Diarrhea & Enteritis	M	1											1		
	(under 2 yrs. of age)	F														
157	Congenital Malforma-	M	1										1			
	tions. (Stillbirths not															
	included	F														
158	Congenital	M														
	Debility	F	1	1	1											
159	Premature	M	6	6	6											
	Birth	F	2	2	1	1										
	Other Disease	M	1	1		1										
161	Peculiar to															
	Early Infancy	F	1	1	1											
194	Other	M														
	Accidents	F	1													1

TABLE VI
CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

DISEASES		Under 5 years	5 to 9 years	10 to 14 years	15 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 to 74 years	75 and over	Total
Chicken-Pox	M	6	15	8	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	31
	F	1	16	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24
Diphtheria	M	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
	F	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dog-Bites	M	3	14	17	2	1	5	3	1	1	2	.....	49
	F	1	8	5	1	.....	1	.....	2	2	.....	.....	20
Encephalitis	M	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lethargica	F	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
German	M	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Measles	F	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Lobar Pneumonia	M	6	4	1	1	.....	2	2	2	1	3	.....	22
	F	5	4	.....	2	1	2	6	5	5	4	6	39
Measles	M	7	7	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
	F	5	10	4	2	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	23
Mumps	M	1	4	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
	F	3	2	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
Scarlet Fever	M	1	4	1	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
	F	2	5	3	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
Septic Sore Throat	M	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2
	F	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Suppurative	M	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Conjunctivitis	F	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Trichinosis	M	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	F	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Tuberculosis	M	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	2	.....	.....	.....	4
(Pulmonary)	F	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	2	1	1	2	.....	8
Tuberculosis	M	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0
(Other Forms)	F	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	3
Whooping-Cough	M	7	12	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21
	F	11	18	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31

TABLE VII
INFANT MORTALITY

Year	Total Births	Deaths of Children under one year	Rate of mortality of children under one year per 1,000 of children born
1934	497	16	32.19
1935	535	13	24.29
1936	506	12	23.71
1937	516	13	25.19
1938	552	13	23.55
1939	536	8	14.92
1940	553	15	27.12
		Corrected Rate	
Total born to Melrose parents	338	4	11.83

There were19 stillbirths during the year 1940.

Deaths in Melrose, 1940 .....Males 132

Female 157

Total 289

Of these deaths, children under one year 15

persons over sixty years 218

Classified as follows as to cause, (Fourth Revision)

		Males	Females
I	Infectious & Parasitic Diseases	2	3
II	Cancers & Other Tumors	11	29
III	Rheumatic Diseases, Nutritional Diseases, Diseases of the Endocrine Glands & other General Diseases	2	3
IV	Diseases of the Blood & Blood-making Organs	2	1
VI	Diseases of the Nervous System & of the Organs of Special Sense	12	25
VII	Diseases of the Circulatory System	61	65
VIII	Diseases of the Respiratory System	11	11
IX	Diseases of the Digestive System	4	3
X	Diseases of the Genitourinary System	6	4
XI	Diseases of Pregnancy, Childbirth & the Puerperal State	0	1
XIV	Congenital Malformations	1	0
XV	Diseases of Early Infancy	8	3
XVI	Senility	1	3
XVII	Violent & Accidental Deaths	11	6

TABLE VIII
Estimated population July 1, 1940, 25,500

	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
Apparent death rate per 1,000 population	11.05	11.70	12.39	12.39	11.91	11.33
*Corrected death rate per 1,000 population	11.25	11.26	12.05	12.56	11.23	10.16

(*)Eliminate deaths of non-residents & add deaths of residents dying elsewhere.

TABLE IX

Year	Population Est. July 1	Births	Birth Rate per 1,000 Corrected for residents	Death Rate per 1,000 Corrected for residents	
1900	12,731	268	21.0		
1901	12,953	269	20.7		
1902	13,438	268	19.9		
1903	13,736	275	20.0		
1904	14,156	281	19.8		
1905	14,562	273	18.7	13.59	
1906	14,644	298	20.3	12.28	
1907	14,926	282	18.9	14.27	(for 11 mos.)
1908	15,153	296	19.5	12.63	
1909	15,368	281	18.3	13.18	
1910	15,831	308	19.4	14.43	
1911	16,149	301	18.6	12.03	
1912	16,334	286	17.5	11.88	
1913	16,718	315	18.8	12.91	
1914	17,052	311	18.2	11.84	
1915	17,150	300	17.5	12.0	
1916	17,305	327	18.9	12.70	
1917	17,295	246	14.2	15.29*	
1918	17,543	340	19.4	17.0	
1919	18,178	333	18.3	12.05	
1920	18,445	352	17.6	12.46	
1921	18,743	356	19.0	12.43	
1922	19,065	322	16.9	11.71	
1923	19,575	338	17.2	11.72	
1924	20,224	358	17.6	10.90	
1925	20,443	321	15.7	13.34	
1926	21,062	311	14.7	11.07	
1927	21,886	334	15.3	10.50	
1928	22,800	350	15.3	11.43	
1929	23,471	327	13.9	10.62	
1930	23,602	284	12.0	10.58	
1931	23,730	340	14.3	9.55	
1932	23,721	305	12.8	10.93	
1933	23,541	271	11.5	12.32	
1934	23,795	270	11.4	10.39	
1935	24,090	270	11.2	11.25	
1936	23,907	289	12.1	11.26	
1937	23,970	264	11.0	12.05	
1938	24,360	284	11.7	12.56	
1939	24,904	283	11.4	11.25	
1940	25,500	338	13.2	10.16	

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF MILK

To the Board of Health
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:—

The Inspector of Milk herewith respectfully submits his annual report for the year 1940.

INSPECTIONS:

Pasteurizing Plants	78
Dairies within city limits	8
Dairies outside city limits	14
Stores and restaurants	365
Ice Cream plants	14

SAMPLES COLLECTED:

Market Milk	147
Grade "A" Milk	54
Raw milk to pasteurizing plants	34
Cream	11
Ice Cream	6

LABORATORY REPORT:

Chemical analysis of milk and cream (found below standard 3)	212
Bacteriological examination of milk and cream (found above legal standard 12)	246
Chemical and bacteriological examination of ice cream	6
Phosphatase test (positive tests 8)	162

Bacteriological counts on milk samples were divided as follows:

Market Milk

0	to	1,000	10.6%	of samples collected
1,001	to	5,000	63.5%	of samples collected
5,001	to	10,000	12.2%	of samples collected
10,001	to	15,000	4.6%	of samples collected
15,001	to	25,000	3.0%	of samples collected
over		25,000	6.1%	of samples collected

Grade "A" Milk

0	to	1,000	23.5%	of samples collected
1,001	to	5,000	70.2%	of samples collected
5,001	to	10,000	2.1%	of samples collected
10,001	to	15,000	4.2%	of samples collected

AVERAGES FOR THE YEAR 1940

Market Milk

Dealer	Milk Fat	Total Solids	Plate Count
State Standard	3.35	12.00	40,000
Antunes, George E.	3.60	12.34	60.000
Bustead's Milk	4.32	13.05	15,100
Cummings, B. L. Inc.	4.23	13.04	6,000
Downing, Albert	3.85	12.58	17,500
Fallon, Wm. H.	4.20	12.84	4,700
Flynn, Joseph B.	4.00	12.80	2,900
Forbes Milk Co.	4.05	12.81	17,000
Hampden Creamery	4.15	12.97	8,000
Hanson, Martin	4.47	13.19	3,100
Hood, H. P. & Sons	4.00	12.79	2,500
Howard Farm	3.85	12.54	5,600
Kiley Farm	4.00	12.75	1,900
Lyndonville Creamery	4.25	12.88	3,400
Marland K. Dairy	4.17	13.02	2,900
McAdams, J. F. & Bros.	4.05	12.86	4,600
McDonald, W. J.	4.30	13.17	900
Nobles Milk Co.	4.02	12.51	1,200
Palmer, Harry	4.28	13.05	6,100
Parker, J. E.	4.50	13.29	6,300
Potts & Harding	4.00	12.83	4,100
Prescott, J. B.	4.09	12.80	4,000
Quinn, J. E.	3.97	12.74	2,000
Rautenberg, Adolph	3.90	12.62	2,200
Seven Oaks Dairy	4.00	12.93	3,400
Shawsheen Dairy	4.02	12.82	3,900
Simmons, C. L.	4.17	12.95	4,300
Spear, C. W.	4.17	13.02	3,600
United Farmers Co-op. Cr.	4.10	12.68	1,000
Weiss, Farm	4.05	12.90	1,600
Whiting Milk Co.	3.95	12.70	2,600

Grade "A" Milk

State Standard	4.00		10,000
Cummings, B. L. Inc.	4.33	13.02	1,500
Forbes Milk Co.	4.39	13.18	3,200
Hood, H. P. & Sons	4.28	12.96	1,500
Kiley Farm	4.05	12.77	1,900
Lyndonville Creamery	4.40	13.03	1,300
McAdam, J. F. & Bros.	4.27	13.09	1,400
Nobles Milk Co.	4.50	13.40	1,000

Potts & Harding	4.00	12.80	2,700
Prescott, J. B.	4.28	13.16	1,900
Seven Oaks Dairy	4.50	13.01	2,100
Shawsheen Dairy	4.56	13.43	1,600
Simmons, C. L.	4.20	13.08	2,000
Spear, C. W.	4.57	13.41	4,200
Whiting Milk Co.	4.07	12.80	2,300

Licenses and permits:

Milk and oleomargerine, stores and dealers	206
Pasteurizing plants	2
Licenses suspended or revoked	2
Dairy permits refused or revoked	3

Court convictions 1

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD R. MUNRO,
Inspector of Milk

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

Permits issued to do plumbing in new buildings	81
Permits issued to do plumbing in old buildings	270
Total permits issued	351
Number permits, work approved (includes 15 permits issued in 1939, work not completed Dec. 31, 1939)	344
Number permits cancelled	5
Number permits, work not completed Dec. 31, 1940	17
Number of water tests	98
Number of visits of inspection	686

Fixtures installed:

Sinks	240
Trays	154
Water closets	281
Baths	166
Lavatories	286
Pressure Boilers	84
Other miscellaneous fixtures	16

Number permits, new buildings to be connected to sewer	71
Number permits, new buildings to be connected to cesspools	10
Number permits, old buildings to be connected to sewer	11
Number old buildings reported by Public Works Dept., connected to sewer (outside connections, no inside plumbing)	25

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. YOUNG,
Inspector of Plumbing

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Board of Health
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report for the year 1940. During the year the number of dog-bites increased to an alarming extent owing to a great many children riding bicycles on the sidewalks.

There have been no cases of rabies in Melrose for several years. Several heads of dogs and cats were sent to the laboratory for examination and the reports on them were negative.

One hundred and sixty-nine head of cattle were examined and found to be free from any contagious or infectious diseases.

Very truly yours,

BERTRAM S. KILLIAN, D. V. M.
Inspector of Animals, Melrose

REPORT OF BOARD OF SURVEY

To the Honorable Mayor
and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Board of Survey hereby submits its annual report for the year 1940.

Members of the Board are Messrs. Edwin E. Prior and Rufus W. Smith.

During the year the Board held public hearings and approved plans as follows:

Layout of street running northerly from Porter Street, known as Orchard Lane;
Layout of Groveland Manor;
Extension of Sherwood Road;
Extension of Orchard Lane.

Groveland Manor is the area bounded by Pleasant, Gould and Washington Streets, formerly owned by the Boston Rubber Shoe Co. Development of this parcel calls for the building of one family houses on Pleasant Street, Washington Street, Gould Street, Blackrock Circle, Shadow Road and Converse Lane. The construction of streets and sidewalks is to be done by the Contractor in accordance with F. H. A. specifications.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Budget—1940	$25.00	
Expended	11.50	
Balance		$13.50

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. ELLIS
Secretary, Board of Survey

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMISSIONER

To His Honor, the Mayor
and Honorable Board of Aldermen:

BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED IN CITY OF MELROSE
January 1, 1940 to December 31, 1940

Classification	No.	Cost
Single Dwellings	83	$427,300.00
Two-family Dwellings	1	5,500.00
Apartment Dwelling	1	14,000.00
Convert into two-families	9	12,400.00
Convert into three-families	2	5,500.00
Convert into four-families	1	4,500.00
Garages	104	36,337.00
Alterations to Dwellings	49	25,330.00
Other Alterations	15	4,610.00
Shingling	44	7,387.00
Fire Repairs	4	5,300.00
Gasoline Service Stations	5	23,200.00
Residence and Funeral Home	1	9,000.00
Summer House	1	35.00
Buildings Demolished	6	800.00
	326	$581.199.00

Respectfully submitted,

MALCOLM G. FILLMORE
Building Commissioner

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Mayor
and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 22, Section 5 Revised Ordinances of 1932 the Cemetery Committee herewith submits its Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1940.

This committee which was appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Board of Aldermen on May 20, 1940 took office with little knowledge of the workings of this department. The first seven months were spent in becoming acquainted with the details and making a study of conditions and method of operation, a task which has been made easier because of the whole hearted cooperation and assistance rendered by the various City Officers from whom the Committee sought information and guidance. The Committee wishes at this time to express its appreciation for the splendid cooperation received.

Wyoming Cemetery has been developed into a very beautiful and fitting spot for the purpose to which it was dedicated and the Committee proposes to maintain it as nearly as possible in accordance with the highest ideals in cemetery management. There are numerous improvements which should be made and which will be attended to as soon as possible.

The Committee is pleased to report that the W.P.A. project which has been under way for several years should be completed in the spring of 1941. The wall is complete up to the ground level and there is but a small section of the superstructure to finish. The old house on Lebanon Street has been removed and that site is now being graded. The Committee feels confident that no further Sponsors Contribution will be requested.

Attached hereto is the report on Appropriations, Transfers, Receipts and Expenditures and a report of the Superintendent giving statistical data.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. McCLINTOCK
H. O. MILTON
JOSEPH CASEY
Cemetery Committee

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS AND RECEIPTS AVAILABLE FOR DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

Appropriations and Transfers	$31,685.99	
Other Income	6,297.49	$37,983.48
Expenditures		
From Appropriations and Transfers	$28,257.86	
From Other Income	6,297.49	34,555.35
Unexpended Balance		$ 3,428.13
Allocated as follows:		
To Excess and Deficiency	$ 196.89	
To 1941	3,231.24	$ 3,428.13

DETAILS OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS AND RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Appropriations and Transfers:		
Maintenance: Salaries & Wages:		
Appropriation	$13,948.23	
Transfer Order No. 4745	364.58	$14,312.81
Maintenance: Other Expenses:		
Appropriation	$ 3,000.00	
Transfer Order No. 4672	300.00	3,300.00
Water Rates		80.00
Purchase of Loam: Appropriation	$ 500.00	
Transfer Order No. 4745, to Maintenance: Salaries & Wages	$ 214.58	285.42
Purchase of Fertilizer and Grass Seed:		
Appropriation	$ 150.00	
Transfer Order No. 4745, to Maintenance: Salaries & Wages	150.00	00.00
Purchase of Filling:		50.00
Repairs, Oiling Roads and Avenues:		
Appropriation	$ 300.00	
Transfer Order No. 4672, to Maintenance: Other Expenses	300.00	00.00
Insurance on Trucks		50.00
WPA, Cemetery Wall, Lebanon Street Cemetery Wall, Sec. 4 (Balance from 1939)		88.64

WPA Improvements, Bal. from 1939	$ 420.78		
Transfer Orders No. 3701-H, J ..	13,000.00		
Receipts from Sale of Trucks ..	25.00		
Refund on State Gas Tax	33.24	13,479.02	
Purchase of G. A. R. Markers (Balance from 1939)		40.10	$31,685.99
Expenditures:			
Maintenance: Salaries & Wages		$14,251.52	
Maintenance: Other Expenses		3,235.99	
Water Rates		58.61	
Purchase of Loam		285.42	
Purchase of Fertilizer and Grass Seed		00.00	
Purchase of Filling		00.00	
Repairs, Oiling Roads and Avenues		00.00	
Insurance on Trucks		50.00	
WPA, Cemetery Wall, Lebanon Street Cemetery Wall, Sec. 4		88.64	
WPA Improvements, Transfer Orders No. 3701-H, J		10,247.78	
Purchase of G. A. R. Markers		39.90	28,257.86
Unexpended Balance			$ 3,428.13
To Excess and Deficiency:			
Maintenance: Salaries & Wages ..	$61.29		
Maintenance: Other Expenses	64.01		
Water Rates	21.39		
Purchase of Filling	50.00		
Purchase of G. A. R. Markers	.20	$ 196.89	
To 1941:			
WPA Improvements, Transfer Orders No. 3701-H, J		3,231.24	$ 3,428.13

CEMETERY TRUST FUND, INCOME ACCOUNT
(Expended by Cemetery Department)

Receipts:		
Paid to Cemetery Department from Income Account		$ 6,297.49
Expenditures:		
Pay Rolls	$ 5,881.43	
Bills	416.06	$ 6,297.49

OPERATING RECEIPTS TO GENERAL CASH ACCOUNT

Annual Care	$ 670.50	
Rentals	70.00	
Sundry Receipts	5,312.70	$ 6,053.20

SALE OF LOTS AND GRAVES ACCOUNT

Balance from 1939		$ 1,650.28	
Sale, Rights of Burial, Lots, 1940		2,354.00	
Sale, Rights of Burial, Graves, 1940		2,231.00	
Receipts from Sale of Old Trucks (6) B. of A. Order No. 4282		144.50	
Interest		38.05	
Total Sale of Lots and Graves Account to 1941			$ 6,417.83
Transfer Order No. 3701-J	$11,000.00		
Less to Tax Levy	7,800.00	$ 3,200.00	
Refund		10.00	3,210.00
Balance to 1941			$ 3,207.83

PENSION ACCOUNT

Appropriation	$ 866.64	
Payroll	866.64	
Unexpended Balance		00.00

To the Cemetery Committee,
Melrose, Massachusetts.
Gentlemen:

Following is a report of the Superintendent of Wyoming Cemetery for the year ending December 31, 1940:

Interments — Made in 1940	
Adults	229
Children	30
Cremated remains	9
Total for 1940	268
Total number to January 1, 1941	12,592
Sale of Lots	
Sold during the year	21
Total number sold to January 1, 1941	2,294
Sale of Single Graves	
Sold during the year	101
Total number sold to January 1, 1941	3,281
Number of Lots under Perpetual Care	1,462
Number of Single Graves under Perpetual Care	1,740
Number of lots available for sale in Sections 2, 3 and H on January 1, 1941	383

Respectfully submitted,
LINWOOD A. LEAVITT
Superintendent

REPORT OF THE CITY AUDITOR

To His Honor, The Mayor,
and Honorable Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:

I submit, herewith the Annual Report of the City Auditor for the year ended December 31, 1940.

I have examined the several Trust Funds of the Treasurer-Collector as custodian, together with all securities, coupons and Saving Bank Books. All income for the year was properly accounted for, and all expenditures properly supported by vouchers.

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER B. WARDWELL
City Auditor

FINANCES

The Assessed Valuation of the City on January 1, 1940 was:		
Real Estate		$35,797,200.00
Personal Property		2,727,800.00
		$38,525,000.00
Increase in Valuation From January 1, 1939 to January 1, 1940		$24,950.00
Number of Dwellings—January 1, 1940		5,858
Number of Polls—January 1, 1940		8,191
Population		25,232
Rate of Taxation for each $1000. of Valuation—January 1, 1940		33.60
Appropriations:		
City Budget	$1,409,078.00	
Revenue Orders—City Accounts	103,626.20	
Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital	18,998.84	1,531,703.04
State Tax	92,480.00	
County Tax	49,678.46	
Metropolitan Parks and Boulevards	15,808.29	
Metropolitan Planning Division	229.59	
Metropolitan Sewerage—North System	28,982.80	
Metropolitan Water	60,105.53	
Water to Saugus	520.00	

Charles River Basin	3,798.86	
Care of Civil War Veterans	480.00	
Smoke Inspection Service	430.54	
1939 Underestimate	14.60	252,528.67
Overlay for Abatements		29,317.13
Total amount to be Raised		1,813,548.84
Less:		
Estimated Receipts:		
Income Tax	98,916.06	
Corporation Taxes	12,562.60	
Gasoline Tax Distribution	52,450.23	
City Accounts	317,543.38	
1939 State Overestimates	21,254.57	502,726.84
Amount to be Raised by Taxation		1,310,822.00
To be raised as follows:		
8,191 Polls @ $2.00 each	16,382.00	
Personal Property—Taxes		
Valuation—$2,727,800.00 @ $33.60 per M	91,654.08	
Real Estate Taxes—		
Valuation—$35,797,200.00 @ $33.60 per M	1,202,785.92	1,310,822.00

SCHEDULE OF BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

Purpose of Issue	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1940	Amount Issued During Year	Amount Paid During Year	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1940
Sewer	$150,000.00		$ 23,000.00	$127,000.00
Surface Drainage	27,000.00		7,000.00	20,000.00
Schools	441,000.00		86,500.00	354,500.00
Auditorium	6,000.00		2,000.00	4,000.00
City Hall extension	11,000.00		3,000.00	8,000.00
City Hall Alterations	17,000.00		3,500.00	13,500.00
City Stable	4,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00
Fire Station	2,000.00		2,000.00	00.00
Municipal Debt Notes	2,000.00		2,000.00	00.00
	$660,000.00		$131,000.00	$529,000.00
Tax Title Loan	19,500.00		14,000.00	5,500.00
Collection reserved for payment on above Loan				$1,685.71

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1940

REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Assets

Revenue Cash		$ 209,634.31
Taxes:		
Real Estate, Personal and Poll—1940...	$254,628.60	
Real Estate, Personal and Poll—Prior to 1940	47,926.50	302,555.10
Motor Vehicle Excise		2,331.39
Assessments added to Taxes:		
Sewers	1,428.51	
Sidewalks	1,174.38	
Streets	1,744.95	4,347.84
Assessments Unapportioned:		
Sewers	35,593.18	
Sidewalks	2,985.52	
Streets	2,867.98	41,446.68
Committed Interest:		
On Assessments—1940	753.71	
On Assessments—Prior to 1940	118.45	872.16
Water Rates		13,333.21
Tax Titles		18,823.05
City Possessions		30,097.99
Accounts Receivable		25,738.52
Private Sewers and Inside Service Deposits		175.53
Net Bonded Debt—Balancing Account		529,000.00
Tax Title Loans—Balancing Account		5,500.00
Trust Funds—Investments and Cash		224,052.83
Total		$1,407,908.61

NON-REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Cash	$6,571.48
Total	$6,571.48

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1940

REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Liabilities

Revenue Reserved:		
Motor Vehicle Excise	$ 2,331.39	
Tax Titles and City Possessions	48,921.04	
Special Assessments	45,794.52	
Committed Interest	872.16	
Departmental Accounts Receivable	25,738.52	
Water	13,333.21	136,990.84
Golf Course Receipts		3,924.01
Sale of Lots and Graves		3,207.83
Sale of City Property		3,735.85
Reserve for Tax Title Loans		1,685.71
Tailings		617.54
Overlay for Abatements		15,571.43
Temporary Loans		300,000.00
Bonded Indebtedness		529,000.00
Tax Title Loans		5,500.00
Trust Funds		224,052.83
Unexpended Balance		57,727.36
County Dog Tax		33.60
1940 Overestimates—Met. Assessments		242.17
Surplus—Revenue		125,619.44
Total		$1,407,908.61

NON-REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Unexpended Balances:	
City Hall—Building Alterations—P.W.A.	$ 31.21
Southeast Sewer Construction—P.W.A.	6,540.27
Total	$6,571.48

Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Previous years Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1941
GENERAL GOVERNMENT										
Contributory Retirement System		$20,941.00			$20,941.00	$20,941.00		$20,941.00		
Aldermen:										
Salaries and Wages	$1,200.00				1,200.00	1,200.00		1,200.00		
Other Expenses	1,250.00				1,250.00	1,077.82	$50.00	1,127.82	$122.18	
Mayor:										
Salaries and Wages	4,331.66				4,331.66	4,331.66		4,331.66		
Other Expenses	400.00				400.00	375.96		375.96	24.04	
Rental Memorial Hall—Capt. Gainard Reception		50.00			50.00	50.00		50.00		
Auditor:										
Salaries and Wages	4,836.66		$6.66		4,843.32	4,843.32		4,843.32		
Other Expenses	500.00				500.00	486.45		486.45	13.55	
W.P.A.—Administration	14,381.50				14,381.50	11,188.46	1,541.33	12,729.79	1,651.71	
Treasurer-Collector:										
Salaries and Wages	10,316.97		16.67		10,333.64	10,332.67		10,332.67	.97	
Other Expenses	3,500.00		40.00		3,540.00	3,538.63		3,538.63	1.37	
Land Court Procedure	300.00			$36.50	336.50	169.18	56.67	225.85	110.65	
Certification of Bonds and Notes	400.00				400.00	275.60		275.60	124.40	

Assessors:									
Salaries and Wages	8,302.90				8,302.90	8,247.50	8,247.50	55.40	
Other Expenses	1,500.00			6.00	1,506.00	1,505.39	1,505.39	.61	
City Clerk:									
Salaries and Wages	5,977.00				5,977.00	5,962.00	5,962.00	15.00	
Other Expenses	450.00				450.00	431.14	431.14	18.86	
Vital Statistics	302.00				302.00	300.51	300.51	1.49	
Indexing Aldermanic Records—W.P.A.	100.00			39.07	139.07	18.04	18.04		$121.03
Refund of Fee			10.00		10.00	10.00	10.00		
City Physician:									
Salary	1,042.00	708.00			1,750.00	1,708.33	1,708.33	41.67	
Other Expenses	100.00			35.00	135.00	95.02	95.02	4.98	35.00
Medical Care—Patient B.C.H.	35.00				35.00	0.00	0.00		35.00
City Solicitor:									
Salaries and Wages	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Other Expenses	75.00				75.00	74.70	74.70	.30	
Photographs	50.00				50.00	47.64	47.64	2.36	
Suits and Claims Expenses .	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,292.70	1,292.70	207.30	
Special Counsel—Spot Pond Brook Suit				391.02	391.02	0.00	0.00		391.02
Election and Registration:									
Salaries and Wages	5,450.00				5,450.00	5,166.30	5,166.30	283.70	
Other Expenses	2,639.00				2,639.00	2,620.28	2,620.28	18.72	
Board of Survey:									
Other Expenses	25.00				25.00	11.50	11.50	13.50	
Planning Board:									
Other Expenses	75.00				75.00	48.25	48.25	26.75	

Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Previous years Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1941
Board of Appeal:										
Salaries and Wages	100.00				100.00	100.00		100.00		
Other Expenses	75.00		50.00		125.00	114.92		114.92	10.08	
Property Valuation Board:										
Other Expenses			200.00	71.86	271.86	67.18		67.18		204.68
Fence Viewers:										
Other Expenses	15.00				15.00	0.00		0.00	15.00	
Public Works:										
Salaries and Wages	14,250.00				14,250.00	14,190.78		14,190.78	59.22	
Other Expenses	1,000.00				1,000.00	904.09		904.09	95.91	
Vacations		5,400.00			5,400.00	5,389.24		5,389.24	10.76	
City Yards: Salaries and Wages	1,580.00				1,580.00	1,580.00		1,580.00		
Improvements at City Yard	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,001.81		1,001.81		498.19
Automotive Equipment	5,700.00				5,700.00	5,387.10		5,387.10		312.90
Improvement at Belmont St.		300.00	900.00		1,200.00	6.01		6.01		1,193.99
Engineers:										
Salaries and Wages	6,500.00				6,500.00	6,110.21		6,110.21	389.79	
Other Expenses	900.00				900.00	877.06		877.06	22.94	

City Hall:										
Salaries and Wages	3,750.00				3,750.00	3,186.30		3,186.30	563.70	
Other Expenses	8,000.00		1,000.00		9,000.00	8,844.97		8,844.97	155.03	
Architect—Repairs to City Hall				82.25	82.25	0.00		0.00	82.25	
Building Alteration—P.W.A.				2,431.21	2,431.21	2,400.00		2,400.00		31.21
Auditorium:										
Salaries and Wages	3,410.00		75.00		3,485.00	3,477.88		3,477.88	7.12	
Other Expenses	2,500.00				2,500.00	2,243.41	75.00	2,318.41	181.59	
Total General Government	$119,819.69	$27,399.00	$2,298.33	$3,092.91	$152,609.93	$143,731.01	$1,723.00	$145,454.01	$4,332.90	$2,823.02
PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY										
Police Department:										
Salaries and Wages	$77,500.00				$77,500.00	$77,116.19		$77,116.19	$383.81	
Equipment and Repairs	2,200.00				2,200.00	2,172.35		2,172.35	27.65	
Other Expenses	1,000.00		$200.00		1,200.00	1,196.19		1,196.19	3.81	
Teletype	600.00				600.00	563.21		563.21	36.79	
Mechanician	400.00				400.00	400.00		400.00		
Installation of Garage Doors	135.00				135.00	135.00		135.00		
Revising Police Records—W.P.A.	100.00				100.00	18.00		18.00		$82.00
Ins. Motor Vehicle Equipment	133.82				133.82	132.36		132.36	1.46	
Purchase New Cruising Car	400.00				400.00	399.55		399.55	.45	
Ambulance Fund				$307.27	307.27	90.97		90.97		216.30
Fire Department:										
Salaries and Wages	79,650.00	$850.00	710.67		81,210.67	79,504.22	$585.00	80,089.22	1,121.45	
Other Expenses	1,500.00		300.00		1,800.00	1,798.62		1,798.62	1.38	
Equipment and Repairs	2,700.00				2,700.00	2,680.54		2,680.54	19.46	
Repairs on Buildings	2,500.00				2,500.00	1,661.86	800.00	2,461.86	38.14	
Fuel and Light	1,700.00				1,700.00	1,679.73		1,679.73	20.27	

Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Previous years Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1941
New Hose	500.00				500.00	475.35		475.35	24.65	
Hydrant Rentals	9,620.00				9,620.00	9,620.00		9,620.00		
Lay Concrete Floor—Central Station			5,696.79		5,696.79	0.00		0.00		5,696.79
Inspection of Buildings:										
Salaries and Wages	1,590.00	809.02			2,399.02	2,399.02		2,399.02		
Other Expenses	193.00		19.00		212.00	209.05		209.05	2.95	
Inspection of Wires:										
Salaries and Wages	2,500.00				2,500.00	2,500.00		2,500.00		
Other Expenses	100.00				100.00	98.68		98.68	1.32	
Police Signal Maintenance	3,000.00				3,000.00	2,996.71		2,996.71	3.29	
Fire Alarm Maintenance	5,000.00				5,000.00	4,973.19		4,973.19	26.81	
Sealer of Weights and Measures:										
Salaries and Wages	1,000.00				1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Other Expenses	230.00				230.00	224.33		224.33	5.67	
Equipment	30.00				30.00	26.48		26.48	3.52	
Forestry:										
Care of Trees	6,500.00				6,500.00	6,371.64		6,371.64	128.36	
Planting New Trees	350.00				350.00	349.71		349.71	.29	
Trimming Trees—W.P.A.				86.08	86.08	0.00		0.00	86.08	
Tree Inventory—W.P.A.				102.21	102.21	0.00		0.00	102.21	
Tree School for Young Men—W.P.A.				81.13	81.13	60.38		60.38		20.75

Other Protection:										
Dog Officer	100.00				100.00	39.20		39.20	60.80	
Total Protection of Life and Property	$201,231.82	$1,659.02	$6,926.46	$576.69	$210,393.99	$200,892.53	$1,385.00	$202.277.53	$2,100.62	$6,015.84
HEALTH AND SANITATION										
Health Department:										
Salaries and Wages	$2,930.00				$2,930.00	$2,899.98		$2,899.98	$30.02	
Other Expenses	1,100.00				1,100.00	1,079.20		1,079.20	20.80	
Quarantine & Contagious Diseases	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,467.95	$13.57	1,481.52	18.48	
Tuberculosis	7,500.00				7,500.00	5,990.88		5,990.88	1,509.12	
School Physicians	900.00				900.00	900.00		900.00		
Inspection of Animals	200.00				200.00	200.00		200.00		
Inspection of Milk	800.00				800.00	800.00		800.00		
Nurses Salaries	3,300.00				3,300.00	3,300.00		3,300.00		
Inspection of Plumbing	1,650.00				1,650.00	1,650.00		1,650.00		
Case of Stray Animals	250.00				250.00	250.00		250.00		
Immunization of Dogs (Rabies)	280.00		$13.57		293.57	293.57		293.57		
Sewer Division:										
Sewer and Surface Drainage Construction	30,000.00		1,450.80		31,450.80	29,857.53	1,121.50	30,979.03	471.77	
Maintenance	3,000.00				3,000.00	2,828.62		2,828.62	171.38	
Southeast Sewer Construction—P.W.A.				$31,954.45	31,954.45	25,414.18		25,414.18		$6,540.27
Southeast Sewer Connections		$5,000.00			5,000.00	235.28	4,700.00	4,935.28	64.72	
Private Sewer Connections				1,148.05	1,148.05	364.51	750.80	1,115.31	32.74	
Private Sewers	1,000.00			288.05	1,288.05	776.50		776.50	511.55	

Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Previous years Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1941
Private Sewers Deposit Account				9,774.39	9,774.39	9,552.17		9,552.17	222.22	
Surface Drainage Maintenance	7,000.00				7,000.00	5,969.39	700.00	6,669.39	330.61	
Collection of Ashes	14,000.00				14,000.00	13,996.29		13,996.29	3.71	
Collection of Garbage	18,000.00				18,000.00	16,846.01		16,846.01	1,153.99	
Street Cleaning	7,000.00				7,000.00	6,727.84		6,727.84	272.16	
Total Health and Sanitation	$100,410.00	$5,000.00	$1,464.37	$43,164.94	$150,039.31	$131,399.90	$7,285.87	$138,685.77	$4,813.27	$6,540.27
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES										
Repairing	$23,0[illegible].00				$23,000.00	$20,466.88	$2,000.00	$22,466.88	$535.12	
Traffic Signs and Markings	500.00				500.00	500.00		500.00		
Resurface Upham Terrace				$355.10	355.10	239.50		239.50		$115.60
Constructions	10,000.00				10,000.00	7,734.40	2,200.00	9,934.40	65.60	
Fish and Game Club Road—Mt. Hood				94.63	94.63		94.63	94.63		
Recreation Building Walks and Road—Mt. Hood				674.56	674.56	144.09	530.47	674.56		
Walks and Roads—Mt. Hood			$625.10		625.10	0.00		0.00		625.10
Tower Road Constructions—Mt. Hood				372.93	372.93	274.40		274.40		98.53
Individual Walks	500.00			1,584.35	2,084.35	1,743.19		1,743.19	341.16	
Sidewalks Repaired	7,500.00				7,500.00	7,500.00		7,500.00		

Continuous Walks	7,500.00		3,600.00	1,087.51	12,187.51	10,661.31		10,661.31	1,526.20	
Snow Removal		$30,000.00	6,000.00		36,000.00	35,106.91		35,106.91	893.09	
Street Lighting	34,000.00				34,000.00	33,834.60		33,834.60	165.40	
Automotive:										
Salaries	3,000.00				3,000.00	2,504.91	400.00	2,904.91	95.09	
Other Expenses	8,000.00		400.00	286.56	8,686.56	8,324.78		8,324.78	361.78	
Purchase of Garbage Truck				1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00		1,200.00		
Purchase of Pick-up Truck				600.00	600.00	598.00		598.00	2.00	
Total of Highways & Bridges	$94,000.00	$30,000.00	$10,625.10	$6,255.64	$140,880.74	$130,832.97	$5,225.10	$136,058.07	$3,983.44	$839.23
PUBLIC WELFARE										
General Administration	$4,517.00				$4,517.00	$4,514.72		$4,514.72	$2.28	
Other Expenses	1,000.00				1,000.00	997.39		997.39	2.61	
Outside Relief	71,000.00		$5,450.00		76,450.00	76,437.34		76,437.34	12.66	
Old Age Assistance Refund Account				$1,277.57	1,277.57	1,099.43		1,099.43		$178.14
Old Age Assistance	65,000.00				65,000.00	62,998.30	$2,000.00	64,998.30	1.70	
Old Age Assistance—Federal Grant				60,429.92	60,429.92	58,252.98		58,252.98		2,176.94
Old Age Assistance Administration—Federal Grant				2,273.50	2,273.50	1,978.65		1,978.65		294.85
Aid to Dependent Children	21,000.00				21,000.00	18,260.56	2,500.00	20,760.56	239.44	
Aid to Dependent Children—Federal Grant				6,896.09	6,896.09	6,853.69		6,853.69		42.40
Aid to Dependent Children Administration—Federal Grant				798.14	798.14	797.57		797.57		.57
Aid to Dependent Children Refund Account				28.50	28.50	28.50		28.50		
Christmas Party Expense	75.00				75.00	46.69		46.69	28.31	
Toothaker Fund				112.99	112.99	5.00		5.00		107.99
Total Public Welfare	$162,592.00		$5,450.00	$71,816.71	$239,858.71	$232,270.82	$4,500.00	$236,770.82	$287.00	$2,800.89

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SOLDIERS BENEFITS										
General Administration:										
Salary	$1,000.00				$1,000.00	$1,000.00		$1,000.00		
Other Expenses	400.00				400.00	399.72		399.72	$.28	
Soldiers Relief	29,000.00				29,000.00	28,301.19		28,301.19	698.81	
Military Aid	1,000.00				1,000.00	997.00		997.00	3.00	
State Aid	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,120.00		1,120.00	380.00	
Soldiers Burial	200.00			$100.00	300.00	100.00		100.00	200.00	
Total Soldiers Benefits	$33,100.00			$100.00	$33,200.00	$31,917.91		$31,917.91	$1,282.09	
EDUCATION										
School Department:										
Salaries and Wages	$345,000.00				$345,000.00	$344,044.08	$700.00	$344,744.08	$255.92	
Textbooks and Supplies	14,000.00		$200.00		14,200.00	14,194.60		14,194.60	5.40	
Other Expenses	2,500.00				2,500.00	2,499.84		2,499.84	.16	
Plant Maintenance and Operation	40,000.00		650.00	$3,871.72	44,521.72	44,125.76		44,125.76	2.49	$393.47
Washington School Playground	500.00				500.00	453.70		453.70		46.30
Waterproofing Brick Work				18.02	18.02	0.00		0.00	18.02	
Tar and Gravel Repairs—High School				30.77	30.77	0.00		0.00	30.77	

Renewal and Painting Window Sashes—High School				134.67	134.67	132.16		132.16	2.51	
Fire Escape Repairs—High School				11.71	11.71	0.00		0.00	11.71	
Painting, Stair Treatment and Supplies—W.P.A.		$1,000.00		340.27	1,340.27	1,339.86		1,339.86	.41	
Fire Loss Replacements—Lincoln School			113.65		113.65	113.62		113.62	.03	
Fire Loss Receipt—Lincoln School				113.65	113.65	0.00	113.65	113.65		
Relaying Classroom Floors—W.P.A.		3,000.00			3,000.00	2,998.34		2,998.34	1.66	
Fire Loss Receipt—High School				103.00	103.00	0.00	103.00	103.00		
Fire Loss Replacement—High School			103.00		103.00	103.00		103.00		
Total School Department	$402,000.00	$4,000.00	$1,066.65	$4,623.81	$411,690.46	$410,004.96	$916.65	$410,921.61	$329.08	$439.77
LIBRARIES										
Salaries and Wages	$14,221.00				$14,221.00	$14,212.29		$14,212.29	$8.71	
Books and Periodicals	535.00	$119.17	$2,845.93		3,500.10	3,498.25		3,498.25	1.85	
Fuel and Light	900.00				900.00	890.23		890.23	9.77	
Buildings, Janitors' Supplies, etc.	1,150.00				1,150.00	1,130.16		1,130.16	19.84	
Binding	600.00				600.00	496.98		496.98	103.02	
Other Expenses	700.00				700.00	694.35		694.35	5.65	
Fines Account				$2,703.57	2,703.57	0.00	$500.00	500.00		$2,203.57
Total Libraries	$18,106.00	$119.17	$2,845.93	$2,703.57	$23,774.67	$20,922.26	$500.00	$21,422.26	$148.84	$2,203.57

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RECREATION										
Pine Banks Park	$2,700.00				$2,700.00	$2,698.19		$2,698.19	$1.81	
Pine Banks Park—										
N.Y.A. Project		$300.00			300.00	300.00		300.00		
Park Department:										
General Administration:										
Salaries	4,893.34				4,893.34	4,893.34		4,893.34		
Other Expenses	550.00				550.00	540.97		540.97	9.03	
All Other Salaries	19,200.00				19,200.00	18,751.90		18,751.90	448.10	
All Other Expenses	4,500.00				4,500.00	4,469.37	$30.00	4,499.37	.63	
Labor—Vacation and										
Insurance	1,170.00		$42.15		1,212.15	1,210.16		1,210.16	1.99	
Attendance—Recreational										
Conference			30.00		30.00	26.95		26.95	3.05	
Golf Maintenance and										
Operation			24,000.00		24,000.00	12,025.13		12,025.13		$11,974.87
Field House, Messenger's										
Meadow—W.P.A.				$48.49	48.49	0.00		0.00		48.49
Field House, Common—										
W.P.A.				50.00	50.00	0.00		0.00		50.00
Entrance Gate—Mt. Hood—										
W.P.A.				25.00	25.00	0.00		0.00		25.00
Piling Hockey Rink—										
Ell Pond				10.15	10.15	0.00	10.15	10.15		
Conduct Winter Sports		1,500.00	457.97	188.94	2,146.91	1,335.69		1,335.69		811.22

Recreation Building Operation	2,400.00				2,400.00	2,386.29		2,386.29	13.71	
Receipts Mt. Hood Memorial Park				27,924.01	27,924.01	0.00	24,000.00	24,000.00		3,924.01
Materials and Supplies Lost at Parkway Fire				1,337.05	1,337.05	0.00		0.00		1,337.05
Construction of Parkway Building				1,474.66	1,474.66	0.00		0.00		1,474.66
Storm Damage—Store House —Mt. Hood				251.91	251.91	205.44		205.44		46.47
Clean-Up Project— Mt. Hood—W.P.A.				7,363.18	7,363.18	5,288.92		5,288.92		2,074.26
Athletic Field Maintenance and Improvement	2,500.00				2,500.00	2,489.25		2,489.25	10.75	
Guard Rails				36.20	36.20	35.28	.92	36.20		
Plans for Improvement to Athletic Field				250.00	250.00	250.00		250.00		
Materials and Supplies for Parks & Playgrounds— W.P.A.		17,000.00			17,000.00	2,320.46	400.00	2,720.46		14,279.54
Mower and Power Blades	900.00				900.00	690.90	209.10	900.00		
Backstop—Messenger's Meadow	350.00				350.00	225.40	124.60	350.00		
Fence—Lincoln Tennis Courts	850.00				850.00	740.20	109.71	850.00		
Fence—Bathhouse and Beach	400.00				400.00	399.56	.44	400.00		
Repair Flagpoles	400.00				400.00	207.85	167.15	375.00	25.00	
Move Vaughan Memorial Park			400.00		400.00	243.36		243.36		156.64
Fire Loss Receipt— Flag Pole				339.87	339.87	0.00	339.87	339.87		

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Purchase and Erection of Flag Pole			339.87		339.87	150.00		150.00		189.87
Storm Porch at Recreational Building—Mt. Hood			125.00		125.00	0.00		0.00		125.00
Total Recreation	$40,813.34	$18,800.00	$25,394.99	$39,299.46	$124,307.79	$61,884.70	$25,391.94	$87,276.64	$514.07	$36,517.08
CELEBRATIONS										
Memorial Day—G.A.R.	$350.00				$350.00	$297.35		$297.35	$52.65	
Memorial Day—American Legion	250.00				250.00	249.20		249.20	.80	
Memorial Day—V.F.W.	200.00				200.00	200.00		200.00		
Armistice Day—American Legion	100.00				100.00	100.00		100.00		
Armistice Day—V.F.W.	100.00				100.00	99.64		99.64	.36	
Children's Entertainment—July 4th	200.00				200.00	173.60		173.60	26.40	
Christmas Holidays	300.00		$100.00	$150.00	550.00	449.50		449.50	.50	$100.00
National Convention—American Legion	300.00		300.00		300.00	300.00		300.00		
Total Celebrations	$1,500.00		$400.00	$150.00	$2,050.00	$1,869.29		$1,869.29	$80.71	$100.00

PENSIONS										
Police Department	$2,050.00				$2,050.00	$2,050.00		$2,050.00		
Fire Department	3,300.00		$585.00		3,885.00	3,885.00		3,885.00		
Cemetery Department	866.64				866.64	866.64		866.64		
Public Works Department	15,332.00				15,332.00	15,057.21		15,057.21	$274.79	
Total Pensions	$21,548.64		$585.00		$22,133.64	$21,858.85		$21,858.85	$274.79	
UNCLASSIFIED										
Portraits—Board of Aldermen			$50.00	$100.00	$150.00	$50.00		$50.00		$100.00
Claims		$3,354.41	142.20		3,496.61	3,496.61		3,496.61		
Legion Rental	$600.00				600.00	600.00		600.00		
Veterans of Foreign Wars—Rental	300.00				300.00	300.00		300.00		
Fire and Boiler Insurance	6,755.40	3,494.60			10,250.00	10,248.92		10,248.92	$1.08	
Rifle Practice, 182nd Infantry Hdqts. Co.	175.00				175.00	125.24		125.24	49.76	
Printing City Report	450.00				450.00	441.07		441.07	8.93	
Lunches—Selective Service Registration			100.00		100.00	97.30		97.30	2.70	
Rental Memorial Hall—Selective Service			55.00		55.00	55.00		55.00		
Installation of Plaque—Chas. L. Robinson Square			200.00		200.00	200.00		200.00		
Total Unclassified	$8,280.40	$6,849.01	$547.20	$100.00	$15,776.61	$15,614.14		$15,614.14	$62.47	$100.00
WATER DIVISION										
Maintenance	$18,000.00		$4,352.83		$22,352.83	$18,877.83	$3,000.00	$21,877.83	$475.00	
Filing Liens				$631.29	631.29		631.29	631.29		
Water Rates—City of Malden	500.00				500.00	278.46	221.54	500.00		
Locating and Plotting Water Gates—W.P.A.				55.83	55.83	34.30		34.30	21.53	

Department	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Previous years Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Excess and Deficiency	Balance to 1941
New Water Meters	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,345.33		1,345.33	154.67	
Construction	22,500.00		6,700.00		29,200.00	26,015.11	3,000.00	29,015.11	184.49	
Water Inside Service	800.00			102.39	902.39	840.99		840.99	61.40	
Water Inside Service—Deposit Account				3,572.00	3,572.00	3,477.39		3,477.39	94.61	
Total Water Division	$43,300.00		$11,052.83	$4,361.51	$58,714.34	$50,869.41	$6,852.83	$57,722.24	$992.10	
CEMETERY										
Maintenance:										
Salaries and Wages	$13,948.23		$364.58		$14,312.81	$14,251.52		$14,251.52	$61.29	
Other Expenses	3,000.00		300.00		3,300.00	3,235.99		3,235.99	64.01	
Water Rates	80.00				80.00	58.61		58.61	21.39	
Perpetual Care				$4,431.39	4,431.39	6,297.49		6,297.49		$1,866.10
Replace Markers on Civil War Veteran's Graves				40.10	40.10	39.90		39.90	.20	
Sale of Lots and Graves				6,407.83	6,407.83	0.00	$3,200.00	3,200.00		3,207.83
Wall—W.P.A.				88.64	88.64	88.64		88.64		
Improvement of Undeveloped Section—W.P.A.		$9,800.00	3,200.00	420.78	13,420.78	10,189.54		10,189.54		3,231.24
Purchase of Loam	500.00				500.00	285.42	214.58	500.00		

Purchase of Filling	50.00				50.00	0.00		0.00	50.00	
Repair and Oiling Roads and Avenues	300.00				300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00		
Purchase of Fertilizer and Grass Seed	150.00				150.00	0.00	150.00	150.00		
Insurance on Trucks	50.00				50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00		
Total For Cemetery	$18,078.23	$9,800.00	$3,864.58	$11,388.74	$43,131.55	$34,447.11	$3,914.58	$38,361.69	$196.89	$4,572.97
Interest	$27,697.88				$27,697.88	$26,617.27	$10.00	$26,627.27	$1,070.61	
Municipal Indebtedness	$116,600.00			$14,400.00	$131,000.00	$131,000.00		$131,000.00		
County Dog Tax				$3,561.60	$3,561.60	$3,528.00		$3,528.00		$33.60
Bills Payable				$831.54	$831.54	$0.00		$0.00		$831.54

Agency Trusts	Assessors' Warrants and Revenue orders	Credits Revenue Over-Estimates	Total Credits	Expenditure	Revenue Debits and Under-Estimates	Total Debits	Under-Estimates to 1941	Over-Estimates to 1941
County Tax	49,678.46		49,678.46	49,678.46		49,678.46		
County Tuberculosis Hospital	18,998.84		18,998.84	18,998.84		18,998.84		
State Tax	92,480.00		92,480.00	92,480.00		92,480.00		
Charles River Basin Tax	3,798.86	546.68	4,345.54	3,795.35	546.68	4,342.03		3.51
Metropolitan Park Tax	15,775.05	3,068.65	18,843.70	15,755.63	3,068.65	18,824.28		19.42
Metropolitan Planning Tax	229.59	14.49	244.08	229.59	14.49	244.08		
Wellington Bridge Maintenance Tax	33.24	5.24	38.48	32.68	5.24	37.92		.56
Metropolitan Sewer Tax	28,982.80	3,216.63	32,199.43	28,825.94	3,216.63	32,042.57		156.86
Metropolitan Water Tax	60,105.53	1,333.27	61,438.80	60,078.72	1,333.27	61,411.99		26.81
Abatement of Smoke Nuisance Tax	430.54	5.19	435.73	430.53	5.19	435.72		.01
Hospital and Home Care for Civil War Veterans' Tax	480.00		480.00	450.00		450.00		30.00
West Roxbury-Brookline Parkway Tax		.11	.11	00.00	.11	.11		
Water to Saugus Tax	520.00		520.00	515.00		515.00		5.00
Canterbury Street Tax		4.37	4.37	4.37		4.37		
Total Agency Trusts	$271,512.91	$8,194.63	$279.707.54	$271,275.11	$8,190.26	$279,465.37		$242.17

ASSESSMENTS

	Balance from 1939	Committed and Apportioned	Refunds and Adjustments	Total Charges	Collected Apportioned and abated	Transferred to Tax Titles	Total Credits	Balance to 1941
Sewers:								
Unapportioned	$ 6,932.60	$50,332.37		$ 57,264.97	$21,671.79		$21,671.79	$35,593.18
Assessments Paid in Advance		626.13		626.13	626.13		626.13	00.00
Added to Taxes	2,015.15	5,456.59	$ 40.06	7,511.80	5,946.48	$136.81	6,083.29	1,428.51
Apportioned—Not Due	13,983.07	6,925.55		20,908.62	6,082.72		6,082.72	14,825.90
Sidewalks:								
Unapportioned	4,268.88	4,293.48		8,562.36	5,576.84		5,576.84	2,985.52
Assessments Paid in Advance		521.66		521.66	521.66		521.66	
Added to Taxes	1,990.19	5,093.00		7,083.19	5,870.94	37.87	5,908.81	1,174.38
Apportioned—Not Due	12,552.79	4,020.84		16,573.63	5,614.66		5,614.66	10,958.97
Streets:								
Unapportioned	5,873.84	3,148.29		9,022.13	6,154.15		6,154.15	2,867.98
Assessments Paid in Advance		1,607.30		1,607.30	1,607.30		1,607.30	
Added to Taxes	2,947.07	6,798.18	22.81	9,768.06	7,726.53	296.58	8,023.11	1,744.95
Apportioned—Not Due	23,365.69	5,054.29		28,419.98	8,405.48		8,405.48	20,014.50
Committed Interest	1,293.51	3,802.94	15.30	5,111.75	4,219.81	19.78	4,239.59	872.16
Water Rates	$ 9,479.22	$98,651.88	$410.46	$108,541.56	$95,208.35		$95,208.35	$13,333.21

REPORT OF CITY CLERK

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The following is the report of the City Clerk for the year 1940.

The amount of fees received by the City Clerk for official services from January 1, 1940, to December 31, 1940, inclusive, was as follows:

For recording marriage certificates	$ 624.00
For recording and indexing dog licenses	324.80
For recording and indexing hunting, fishing and trapping licenses	87.50
For licenses for the keeping, storage and sale of gasoline	1,395.00
For copies of records, etc.	400.73
For recording and indexing mortgages and other instruments	945.54
For miscellaneous licenses	626.00
Total Receipts	$4,403.57
Less refunds	177.00
(Paid to City Treasurer)	$4,226.57

The sum of $3,629.00 has been received by this office for dog licenses from January 1, 1940, to December 31, 1940, inclusive, in the following numbers and amounts:

For 947 male dogs at $2.00 each	$1,894.00
For 127 female dogs at $5.00 each	635.00
For 550 female spayed dogs at $2.00 each	1,100.00
Total received for Dog Licenses	3,629.00

Of this amount $3,304.20 has been paid to the County of Middlesex and $324.80 has been paid into the City Treasury.

The sum of $725.75 has been received for hunting, fishing and trapping licenses from January 1, 1940, to December 1, 1940, inclusive, in the following numbers and amounts:

Resident Citizens' Fishing licenses, 171 at $2.00 each	$342.00
Resident Citizens' Hunting licenses, 109 at $2.00 each	218.00
Resident Citizens' Sporting licenses, 32 at $3.25 each	104.00
Resident Citizens' Minor and Female Fishing licenses, 32 at $1.25 each	40.00

Resident Citizens' Trapping licenses, 3 at $5.25 each	15.75
Resident Citizens' Minor Trapping licenses, 2 at $2.25 each	4.50
Resident Citizens' (over 70) Sporting licenses, 36 free	00.00
Special Non-Resident Citizens' Fishing licenses, 1 at $1.50 each	1.50
	$725.75

Of this amount $638.25 has been paid to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Division of Fisheries and Game, and $87.50, representing fees, has been paid into the City Treasury.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Recorded

Children of Melrose parents and born in Melrose	216
Children of Melrose parents and born elsewhere	111
Children of non-resident parents and born in Melrose	338
Total number of births recorded	665

Marriages Recorded

Both parties resident and solemnized in Melrose	57
Both parties resident and solemnized elsewhere in state ..	22
Both parties resident and solemnized out of state	3
One party resident and solemnized in Melrose	92
One party resident and solemnized elsewhere in state ..	125
One party resident and solemnized out of state	14
Both parties non-resident and solemnized in Melrose	21
Total number of marriages recorded	334

Deaths Recorded

Of Melrose residents occurring in Melrose	230
Of Melrose residents occurring elsewhere	51
On non-residents occurring in Melrose	77
Total number of deaths recorded	358

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND H. GREENLAW
City Clerk

REPORT OF THE CITY PHYSICIAN

Visits made for Department of Public Welfare:	
Home visits	540
Office visits	710
Hospital visits	20
Visits made for Health Department:	
Home visits	15
Office visits	12
Visits of Inspection and Consultation	75
Vaccinations	80
Revaccinations	15
Visits for School Department	5
Visits for Police Department	6
Visits for Park Department	2
Visits for Public Works Department	2
Examinations—Order of City Solicitor	5

FREDERICK A. DUNHAM, M.D.

REPORT OF CITY TREASURER

Honorable Robert A. Perkins, Mayor and
Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my reports as City Treasurer and Collector for the year 1940.

Respectfully submitted,

S. HOMER BUTTRICK
City Treasurer-Collector

CITY TREASURER
CASH STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1940

Cash in Bank and Office, January 1, 1940	$ 186,187.83
Receipts, January 1, 1940 to December 31, 1940	2,979,273.36
	$3,165,461.19
Payments, January 1, 1940 to December 31, 1940	$2,949,255.40
Balance, Cash in Bank and Office December 31, 1940	216,205.79
	$3,165,461.19

LOANS IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

Authorized by Order 4389	$700,000.00	
Renewals (1939)	100,000.00	
Renewals (1940)	100,000.00	
Total	900,000.00	
Notes paid	600,000.00	
Balance due in 1941		$300,000.00
Average rate of discount		.14%

TAX TITLE ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1940	$21,033.55	
Added during 1940	14,690.30	$35,723.85
Redemptions and Foreclosures	16,900.80	
Balance December 31, 1940	18,823.05	$35,723.85

S. HOMER BUTTRICK
City Treasurer

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

	Cash	Securities	Total
In fund January 1, 1940	$44,586.54	$133,030.00	$177,616.54
In fund December 31, 1940	31,584.57	149,570.00	181,154.57

Principal Account

Receipts

Securities matured or sold:			
St. Joseph's R. R. Lt. & Pow'r	$ 3,000.00		
Union Pacific R. R.	3,000.00		
So. California Edison	5,000.00		
Central Maine Power	5,000.00	$ 16,000.00	
City of Melrose; Collections		4,212.00	
Premiums on Bonds sold		878.85	
Cash on hand January 1, 1940			
Savings Banks	34,000.00		
Melrose Trust Co.	10,586.54	44,586.54	$65,677.39

Payments

Securities purchased:			
No. Indiana Pub. Service	2,000.00		
Chesapeake & Ohio R. R.	5,000.00		
Central Ill. Public Service	5,000.00		
Jersey Central Power & Light	5,000.00		
Central Maine Power	5,000.00		
People's Gas Light & Coke Co.	3,000.00		
Union Pacific R. R.	5,000.00		
New York State Gas & Elec.	2,000.00		
20 Shares Nat. Shawmut Bank	540.00	32,540.00	
Premiums paid on bonds purchased		1,552.82	
Balance December 31, 1940			
Savings Banks	30,000.00		
Melrose Trust Co.	1,584.57	31,584.57	$ 65,677.39

Income Account

Receipts

Balance January 1, 1940		813.43	
Income from Securities		6,317.51	$ 7,130.94

Payments

Int. paid on Securities purchased		322.36	
Postage, registered mail		1.00	
Melrose Trust Co.—Box rent ...		11.00	
City of Melrose		4,431.39	
Balance December 31, 1940		2,365.19	$ 7,130.94

List of Securities in Fund

Atchison, Topeka & Sa. Fe	$ 3,000.00	
Brooklyn Edison	2,000.00	
Penn. R. R.	11,000.00	
Narragansett Elec.	3,000.00	
C. B. & Q. R. R.	1,000.00	
Green Mountain Power	5,000.00	
Northern Indiana Public Service	5,000.00	
Central Illinois Pub. Service	5,000.00	
Chesapeake & Ohio	5,000.00	
Jersey Central Pwr. & Light	5,000.00	
Union Pacific R. R.	5,000.00	
New York State Elec. & Gas	2,000.00	
So. Pacific Oregon	5,000.00	
Public Service N. H.	5,000.00	
Southwestern Bell Tel.	2,000.00	
Central Maine Power	5,000.00	
New York Edison	4,000.00	
Pacific Gas & Elec. (3¾%)	2,000.00	
People's Gas Lt. Coke	7,000.00	
Cumberland County Pwr. & Lt.	2,000.00	
Central Vermont	4,000.00	
Toledo Edison	3,000.00	
60 Shares National Shawmut Bank Boston	1,595.00	
New York Central	6,000.00	
So. Pacific	3,000.00	
Pacific Gas & Elec. (4%)	5,000.00	
Boston Albany	8,000.00	
Atlantic Coast Line	3,000.00	
Boston Terminal	8,000.00	
Louisville & Nashville	7,000.00	
Brooklyn Union Gas	5,000.00	
50 Shares First National Bank Boston	1,975.00	
Detroit Edison	5,000.00	
Boston Edison	5,000.00	$149,570.00
Cash, Savings Banks & Trusts Co.		31,584.57
Total in Fund		$181,154.57

Funds Held By The City Treasurer

REPORT OF ADELE C. M. D. CURRIER FUND

Capital Account

Amount in Fund December 31, 1940		$24,546.48
Securities:		
U. S. Government Treasury Notes 4½%	$15,000.00	
New York Central R. R. 4½%	2,000.00	
Louisville-Nashville R. R. 3¾%	1,000.00	

1 Share Northern Railroad	100.00	
Malden Savings Bank	829.98	
Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank	619.77	
Eliot Savings Bank	647.01	
Melrose Savings Bank	4,349.72	$24,546.48

Income Account

Balance January 1, 1940	$ 1,252.40	
Refunds	76.00	
Income from Investments	957.18	
Paid City of Melrose		620.46
Balance December 31, 1940		1,665.12
	$ 2,285.58	$ 2,285.58

Norman Hesseltine Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	$ 100.39	
Interest	2.45	
Auditor's Warrant		$ 5.00
Balance December 31, 1940		97.84
	102.84	102.84

100th Anniversary Town of Melrose

Balance January 1, 1940	88.62	
Interest	2.21	
Balance December 31, 1940		90.83
	90.83	90.83

Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Building

Balance January 1, 1940	3,267.73	
Interest	479.59	
Auditor's Warrants		250.00
Balance December 31, 1940		3,497.32
	3,747.32	3,747.32

William Bailey Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	2,577.13	
Interest	63.87	
Auditor's Warrant		75.70
Balance December 31, 1940		2,565.30
	2,641.00	2,641.00

William E. Barrett Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	337.43	
Interest	8.31	
Auditor's Warrant		13.50
Balance December 31, 1940		332.24
	345.74	345.74

Perkins Library Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	543.49	
Interest	13.67	
Balance December 31, 1940		557.16
	557.16	557.16

Levi S. Gould Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	430.31	
Interest	35.63	
Auditor's Warrant		28.00
Balance December 31, 1940		437.94
	465.94	465.94

Sarah E. Fitch Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	341.55	
Interest	8.26	
Balance December 31, 1940		349.81
	349.81	349.81

Duplicate Library Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	88.31	
Interest	1.68	
Deposits	103.08	
Auditor's Warrants		83.42
Balance December 31, 1940		109.65
	193.07	193.07

Community Civics Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	103.31	
Interest	2.59	
Balance December 31, 1940		105.90
	105.90	105.90

Wyoming Cemetery Flower Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	1,719.25	
Balance December 31, 1940		1,719.25
	1,719.25	1,719.25

Income Account

Balance January 1, 1940	.14	
Interest	42.99	
Auditor's Warrant		20.00
Balance December 31, 1940		23.13
	43.13	43.13

Samuel W. McDaniel, Exor., Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	100.00	
Balance December 31, 1940		100.00
	100.00	100.00

(Interest to Cemetery Trust Fund)

Sarah E. Cheever Fund

Balance January 1, 1940	$1,718.27	
Interest	43.22	
Balance December 31, 1940		1,761.49
	1,761.49	1,761.49

BONDS AND NOTES OF THE CITY OF MELROSE OUTSTANDING DECEMBER 31, 1940
and amounts maturing each year until paid.

Year	Surface Drainage	School	Sewer	Memorial Building	City Hall Addition	City Hall Alteration	City Stables	Total
1941	$ 7,000	$ 86,500	$ 21,000	$2,000	$3,000	$ 3,500	$2,000	$125,000
1942	5,000	74,500	18,000	2,000	3,000	3,500		106,000
1943	3,000	64,500	16,000		2,000	3,500		89,000
1944	2,000	51,000	16,000			3,000		72,000
1945	2,000	44,000	14,000					60,000
1946	1,000	34,000	14,000					49,000
1947			14,000					14,000
1948			14,000					14,000
Totals	$20,000	$354,500	$127,000	$4,000	$8,000	$13,500	$2,000	$529,000

COLLECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT, 1940

Tax	1938	Polls	$ 29.00		
		Personal	186.84		
		Real Estate	54,167.49	$ 54,383.33	
	1939	Polls	615.50		
		Personal	5,947.74		
		Real Estate	249,265.30	255,828.54	
	1940	Polls	14,206.50		
		Personal	85,958.32		
		Real Estate	946,848.02	1,047,012.84	$1,357,224.71
Motor Vehicle Excise	1937			17.66	
	1938			5.40	
	1939			1,948.21	
	1940			70,783.66	
	1937	Int.		6.12	
	1938	"		.04	
	1939	"		12.41	
	1940	"		98.33	72,871.83
Sewer Assessments	(Apportioned)			6,526.21	
" "	(Unapportioned)			6,414.83	12,941.04
Sidewalk Assessments	(Apportioned)			6,350.77	
" "	(Unapportioned)			1,294.04	7,644.81
Street Assessments	(Apportioned)			9,259.59	
" "	(Unapportioned)			1,099.86	10,359.45
Collector's Receipts					2,007.03
Committed Interest	1938			174.69	
	1939			902.13	
	1940			3,055.18	4,132.00
General Interest	1938			4,022.19	
	1939			6,171.52	
	1940			382.66	10,576.37

Water	1936	10.68	
	1937	121.39	
	1938	510.39	
	1939	32,074.75	
	1940	61,821.47	94,538.68
Public Works Department			
Private Sewer		535.72	
Private Sewer Deposit		219.81	
Water Inside Service		344.88	
Water Inside Service Deposit		136.63	
Sale of Garbage		5,088.37	
Hydrant Rental		19,100.00	
Care of Trees		203.92	
Water Maintenance		25.00	
Individual Walks		55.35	
Highway Repairing		35.67	
City Hall Receipts		900.00	26,645.35
			$1,598,941.27
Public Welfare Department			
Aid to Dependent Children		16,343.26	
Dependent Aid		20,928.49	
Old Age Assistance		45,587.09	82,858.84
Health Department			
Tuberculosis		3,465.07	
Quarantine and Contagious Disease		151.00	3,616.07
School Department—Tuition			2,643.46
Police Department—Ambulance Fund			144.50
Memorial Building			2,174.50
			$1,690,378.64

Respectfully submitted,

S. HOMER BUTTRICK
City Collector

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

To His Honor the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the Dog officer for the year 1940.

Complaints received and investigated of barking dogs	12
Complaints received and investigated of vicious dogs	12
Miscellaneous complaints received and investigated	15
Complaints received and investigated of biting dogs	38
Number of unlicensed dogs investigated	524
Stray dogs turned over to the Humane Society	24

Financial Statement

Appropriation for Dog Officer	$ 100.00
Expended for printing, advertising and fees	39.20
Unexpended balance	60.80

1940 Dog Population as per Report of City Clerk

947 Male dogs at $2.00 each	1,894.00
127 Female dogs at $5.00 each	635.00
550 Spayed dogs at $2.00 each	1,100.00
1624 total number of dogs, Gross Income	$3,629.00

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS B. HEATON,
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To His Honor the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen

Dear Sirs:

I respectfully submit the following Annual Report of the Melrose Fire Department for the year 1940.

Organization

The department consists of four companies, and are as follows: Engine Co. No. 1. Engine Co. No. 2. Engine Co. No. 3. Aerial Ladder Co. No. 1.

Personnel

The permanent force consists of one Chief Engineer, three Captains, three Lieutenants, one Master Mechanic and twenty-seven Privates.

Equipment

One Chief's auto, three pumping engines, with equipment, one hook and ladder truck with equipment, one aerial ladder truck with equipment, one service car with lighting plant and equipment, one horse-drawn pung, one combination hose and chemical auto with equipment, and chemical extinguishers and other appliances for fire and life saving work.

Hose

Number of feet of good 2½ inch hose in department	8700 feet
Number of feet of good 1½ inch hose in department	1600 feet
Number of feet of chemical hose in department	1750 feet

All 2½ inch hose has been tested to 200 pounds pressure.
Due to old age and wear and tear, 600 feet of 2½ inch hose was condemned, as this hose broke, when being tested.

Fires

Total number of bell alarms	121
Total number of still alarms	177
Total number of alarms—58 Emergency	356
Apparatus out of city under Mutual Aid System	11 times

To Malden 5 times. To Stoneham 5 times. To Wakefield 1.

False Alarms	14

Inspections

Number of building inspections	4,970
Number of oil burner inspections	410

Insurance of Buildings

Number of buildings damaged	32
Valuation of buildings	$300,000.00
Loss on buildings	22,791.67
Insurance on buildings	330,700.00
Insurance paid on buildings	21,491.67
Valuation of contents	87,400.00
Loss on contents	6,577.50
Insurance on contents	82,300.00
Insurance paid on contents	5,872.50
Total loss on buildings and contents	29,369.17
Total insurance paid on buildings and contents	27,364.17

Hose and Ladders Used

Number of feet of 1½ inch hose laid	5000 feet
Number of feet of 2½ inch hose laid	12,450 feet
Number of feet of ladders raised	1,827 feet
Number of covers used	43
Number of quarts of pyrene used	3
Number of pounds of fire freeze used	35
Number of tanks of oxygen used	17
Number of tanks of dugas used	2
Number of hours inhalator used	5
Lighting Plant used	16 hours
Number of feet of wires from lighting plant	1,350 feet
Total hours of pump operation	25
Total mileage	1,710 miles

Department Work

To spread sand on streets after accidents	4 times
To open locked doors	22
To remove cats from trees	9
To put people back in bed	3
To take care of suicides after hangings	3
To take boy out of pond	1
To take boy off ledge	1
To remove squirrel from inside of house	1
To remove bees nest from house	1
To fix flag poles	3
To shut off hydrant	1
Ammonia Leakage	4
To render first aid on a strangulation	1
To render first aid on a gas poisoning	1
Number of times inhalator used	6

Very truly yours,

S. C. FIELD
Chief of Department

REPORT OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT

There are pending at present in round figures two hundred cases involving legal opinions and decisions. There are cases in several Counties in our Superior Court, both in law and Equity, and also in the District Courts, Probate Court, Land Court and Board of Tax Appeals which require continual attention. Attendance is also necessary at both the State House and City Hall. In my last report I stated that except for the Towner case the largest sum paid by the City on any verdict or settlement during my entire term of office was $500.00. The past year namely 1940, makes no change in this record.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS McKIE,
City Solicitor

REPORT OF MEMORIAL BUILDING TRUSTEES

To the Honorable Mayor and
Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Trustees of the Memorial Building herewith submit their annual report for the year 1940.

The Trustees are Messrs. Leon H. Palmer, Chairman; Leslie B. Ellis, Louis K. McNally, Charles L. Robinson and Leon B. Smith.

Financial Statement

Salaries and Wages:			
Appropriation	$3,410.00		
Transferred from Other Expenses	75.00		
		$3,485.00	
Expended		3,477.88	
Balance			$7.12
Other Expenses:			
Appropriation	$2,500.00		
Transferred to Other Expenses	75.00	$2,425.00	
Expended		2,243.41	
Balance			$181.59

There were 52 engagements in Memorial Hall and 87 in the G. A. R. Hall.

Several years ago the Trustees drew up a schedule of repairs and improvements to be made in the building. Their intention was to take care of one or two items a year in order to preserve the appearance of the building and keep the cost of maintenance within the regular appropriations.

In keeping with this plan repairs have been made to the roof and to the fire curtain on the stage. During the summer the State Inspectors disapproved of the operating system of the fire curtain. When this was put up originally the wooden blocks, pulleys and shivs were satisfactory, but state specifications now call for metal equipment. The necessary changes have been made and approved by the state inspectors.

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES MEMORIAL BUILDING
Leon H. Palmer, Chairman

REPORT OF PARK DEPARTMENT

To His Honor, the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit the thirty-first Annual Report of the Park Commissioners attached thereto, a detailed report of the Superintendent of the Park Department.

Since the last report we have been given a lot of land on the Parkway between Lincoln Street and Larchmont Road which comprises nearly an acre. This is to be used for Park purposes and is new being put in condition under the W.P.A. Park Project and is expected to be finished by late spring.

We have also completed four skating rinks at different Playgrounds under the same Project, and are being used by the younger children to a very good advantage and are very much appreciated.

The Storehouse at Mt. Hood was completed last year and makes quite an addition to the Department and is a very valuable asset in taking care of our tools and equipment and working out to a very good advantage.

The Bathhouse and Beach were well patronized during the summer as well as our Playgrounds, which afforded a good opportunity for the children to enjoy themselves and at the same time gain a little knowledge of the outdoor life.

We are now putting an additional Tennis Court at the Common under the W.P.A. Project, which should be completed by early spring and under the same Project expect to complete four more at the Parkway by early summer.

We have recommended in our budget the taking of land at Lebanon Street for a Playground for the children in that district and, if approved by the Board, expect to have this in shape to use when the Playground season opens.

Under our W.P.A. Project, plans are for a new Hockey Rink on Tremont Street in place of the present location. We feel this will give us a better opportunity to extend our garden and make several improvements along the Parkway.

Our equipment is in very good condition. Our men in the Department seem to be taking a great interest in their work and doing what they can to promote the best interest of the Department.

The members of the Commission take this opportunity to express their appreciation to His Honor, the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen, for their hearty co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. DAVIS
Chairman
For the Park Commission

Bathhouse and Beach

The Bathhouse at Ell Pond opened this year on June 24th, and closed September 2nd after a very successful season.

The personnel consisted of Leo Lofchie as Head Life Guard with Stuart Hutton and William Parsons as Assistant Guards, and John Abbott as a spare Guard; Mrs. Minnie Nickerson and Pearl Nickerson as Girl Attendants; David Wardwell Boys' attendant, and John Shelton as Gate attendant.

The attendance for this season was 30,633, but owing to lack of warm weather our attendance was slightly lower than the previous year. Again this year I am happy to report no fatalities or serious accidents on Ell Pond or the Beach.

Seven persons successfully passed their Senior Life Saving Tests, and twelve Juniors; with the Seniors spending many hours of volunteer work on the waterfront for their practical work.

Seventy-five children took advantage of the daily swimming lessons furnished by the department.

Playgrounds and Recreation

The Playground season opened in Melrose on June 24th, and closed on August 31st, and all things considered, a very successful season was had.

Statement of Activities Conducted Under Supervision of Park Department

Doll Carriage and Costume Parade
City-Wide Pet Show
Soap Box Derby and Kite Carnival
Plays and Exhibitions
Playground Picnics
Softball
Special Days
Winter Carnival and Sports

W.P.A. Projects

This year the Mt. Hood Clean-up Project continued in operation; cleaning up the rough on the course, increasing our parking facilities, widening out the road to the Fish and Game Club and improving our service roads, and with the little remaining work on the second nine, this project should finish in the early part of the summer.

A new project under the Park Department was started late in the fall and is known as the General Park Project, and includes a new tennis Court at the Common, four courts on the Boulevard; building a new hockey rink at Tremont Street; a new park on the Parkway near Lincoln Street, and Hockey Rinks on the various playgrounds, together with other minor improvements at various park and playground locations.

This Project is progressing as fast as can be expected at this season of the year.

Attendance on Playgrounds for Summer 1940

Playgrounds	Daily Attendance	Total for season
Common	144	8,361
Hesseltine	63.5	3,682
Lincoln	121	7,012
Messenger's Meadow	61.2	3,551
Ripley	97.7	5,666
Bathhouse	528	30,633
Tennis Courts — Lincoln — Estimated		6,000
Tennis Courts — Boulevard — Estimated		30,000
Tennis Courts — Common — Estimated		7,000
Tennis Courts — Messenger's — estimated		5,000
Skating Ell Pond and Mt. Hood		40,000
		146,905

Golf Course

Mt. Hood officially opened on April 19th this year and closed on November 25th.

There were 32,239 rounds of Golf played on the Course, an increase of 5597 over 1939. The total receipts for the year as follows:

Memberships	$ 5,604.50
Daily Fees	6,289.45
Lockers	375.00
Soap - Towel - Transient	224.85
Rental of Hall	1,387.90
Miscellaneous Receipts	51.25
	$13,932.95

with an expenditure for the Golf Course Maintenance and operation of $12,025.13.

We feel that the course has proven very successful as well as being popular and we sincerely hope that 1941 will show a greater percentage than 1940.

Recreation Building

This hall continues to be a very popular place for Wedding Receptions, Banquets, Dances, Parties and other social gatherings, and with more publicity should increase its revenue.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. ROGERS
Supt., Clerk

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

General Administration Salaries and Wages

Appropriation		$ 4,893.34
Expenditures:		
Payrolls	$ 4,893.34	

General Administration Other Expenses

Appropriation		550.00
Expenditures:		
Office Supplies	317.12	
Telephone	144.91	
Insurance	41.62	
Printing	37.32	
	540.97	
Unexpended Balance	9.03	

All Other Expenses

Appropriation		4,500.00
Transferred to Recreational Conference		30.00
		4,470.00
Expenditures:		
Automotive Insurance	288.87	
Labor Insurance	272.57	
Printing and Advertising	127.15	
Automotive	607.87	
Playground Supplies and Equipment	537.74	
Tennis Court Binders and Tapes	163.86	
Lumber	122.45	
Range and Fuel Oil	135.55	
Disinfectant	42.31	
Loam - Fill - Seed - Clay	330.48	
First Aid	52.36	
Paint and Hardware	285.65	
Plants - Seeds - Supplies	363.32	
Tools and Repairing	269.69	
Fertilizer, etc.	187.64	
Electricity and Telephone	196.40	
Water and Water Service	114.37	
Repair Buildings and Roads	88.12	
Sand and Road Salt	214.70	
Miscellaneous	68.27	
	4,469.37	
Unexpended Balance	0.63	

All Other Salaries and Wages

Appropriation		19,200.00
Expenditures:		
Payrolls	18,751.90	
Unexpended Balance	448.10	

Melrose Athletic Field—Maintenance and Operation

Appropriation		2,500.00
Expenditures:		
Services and Insurance	1,353.27	
Materials and Supplies	1,135.98	
	2,489.25	
Unexpended Balance	10.75	

Melrose Athletic Field—Plans and Specications

Balance from 1939		250.00
Expenditures:		
Plans and Specifications	250.00	

Backstop—Messenger's Meadow

Appropriation		350.00
Transferred to Winter Sports		124.60
		225.40
Expenditures:		
Backstop	225.40	

Entrance Gate

Balance from 1937		25.00
Same Carried to 1941		

Fence—Bathhouse and Beach

Appropriation		400.00
Transferred to Winter Sports		.44
		399.56
Expenditures:		
Materials and Supplies	399.56	

Fence—Lincoln Tennis Courts

Appropriation		850.00
Transferred to Winter Sports		109.71
		740.29
Expenditures:		
Materials and Supplies	740.29	

Ell Pond—Recreation Building

Balance from 1939		1,474.66
Same carried to 1941		

Field House—Melrose Common

Balance from 1937		48.49
Same carried to 1941		

Field House—Messenger's Meadow

Balance from 1937		50.00
Same carried to 1941		

Flagpole—Purchase and Erection Thompson Park

Transferred from Fire Loss Receipts		339.87
Expenditures:		
Flagpole and Erection	150.00	
Balance to 1941	189.87	

Hockey Building—Fire Loss

Balance from 1938		1,337.05
Same carried to 1941		

Golf Maintenance and Operation

Appropriated from "Mt. Hood Golf Receipts"		24,000.00
Expenditures:		
Services and Insurance	9,760.85	
Printing and Advertising	189.56	
Automotive Parts and Supplies	351.98	
Tools - Equipment - Repairs	935.77	
Water	7.91	
Fill, Loam and Sand	299.19	
Laundry and Soap	136.01	
Grass Seed - Fertilizer	323.86	
Miscellaneous	20.00	
	12,025.13	
Balance to 1941	11,974.87	

Guard Rails

Balance from 1939		36.20
Transferred to "Winter Sports"		.92
		35.28
Expenditures:		
Materials	35.28	

Hockey Rink—Piling

Balance from 1938		10.15
Transferred to "Winter Sports"		10.15

Labor Vacation and Insurance

Appropriation		1,170.00
Transferred from "Repairing Flagpoles"		42.15
		1,212.15
Expenditures	1,210.16	
Unexpended Balance	1.99	

Mower and Plow Blades

Appropriation		900.00
Transferred to "Winter Sports"		209.10
		690.90
Expenditures	690.90	

Mt. Hood Clean-Up Project

Balance from 1939		7,363.18
Expenditures:		
Services and Insurance	1,565.72	
Tools - Equipment - Repairs	677.38	
Dynamite and Supplies	479.72	
Automotive Parts and Supplies	1,272.77	
Printing	29.49	
Aggregate Materials	1,001.93	
Grass Seed and Fertilizer	173.34	
Lumber	14.86	
Tarvia	146.16	
	5,288.92	
Balance to 1941	2,074.26	

Operation Recreation Building

Appropriation		2,400.00
Expenditures:		
Services and Insurance	1,127.77	
Advertising and Printing	17.05	
Fuel Oil	570.97	
Electricity	295.25	
Water	47.23	
Janitor and Building Supplies	127.27	
Upkeep	200.75	
	2,386.29	
Unexpended Balance	13.71	

Repair Flagpoles

Appropriation		400.00
Transferred to "Labor - Vacation - Insurance"		42.15
		357.85
Transferred to "Erection Storm Porch"		125.00
		232.85
Expenditures	207.85	
Unexpended Balance	25.00	

Recreational Conference

Transferred from "All Other Expenses"		30.00
Transferred to "Winter Sports"		3.05
		26.95
Expenditures	26.95	

Storm Damage and Repairs—Storehouse

Balance from 1939		251.91
Expenditures:		
Services and Insurance	37.50	
Paint	25.97	
Iron and Materials	141.97	
	205.44	
Balance to 1941	46.47	

Storm Porch—Erection at Recreation Building

Transferred from "Repairing Flagpoles"		125.00
Same carried to 1941		

Vaughan Square

Transferred from "W.P.A. Parks and Playgrounds"		400.00
Services and Insurance	45.86	
Fill	197.50	
	243.36	
Balance to 1941	156.64	

Winter Sports

Balance from 1939		188.94
Appropriation		1,500.00
Transferred from "Lincoln-Tennis Courts"		109.71
Transferred from "Backstop-Messenger's Meadow"		124.60
Transferred from "Mower and Plow Blades"		209.10
Transferred from "Recreational Conference"		3.05
Transferred from "Hockey Rink-Piling"		10.15
Transferred from "Guard Rail"		.92
Transferred from "Fence-Bathhouse and Beach"		.44
		2,146.91
Expenditures:		
Services and Insurance	1,153.37	
Electricity	15.07	
Gas and Oil	24.00	
Printing	7.84	
Tools - Equipment - Repairs	135.41	
	1,335.69	
Balance to 1941	811.22	

W.P.A. Parks and Playgrounds

Appropriation		17,000.00
Transferred to "Moving Vaughan Square"		400.00
		16,600.00
Expenditures:		
Services	320.09	
Plans - Survey - Engineering	86.00	
Tools - Equipment - Repairing	279.72	
Lumber	444.67	
Grates and Frames	27.00	
Automotive and Rentals	528.39	
Aggregate Materials	634.59	
	2,320.46	
Balance to 1941	14,279.54	

REPORT OF PINE BANKS PARK

To the Mayor and Board of Aldermen
of the City of Melrose

The Trustees of Pine Banks Park submit herewith their annual report.

The use of Pine Banks Park by the citizens of Malden and Melrose and by the public has increased to such a degree during the past few years that it seems fitting at this time to review the character and extent of that use and some of the improvements and developments which the trustees have been able to make.

During the past year approximately 75,000 people visited the park and enjoyed its advantages. In 1937 a new baseball field was laid out and constructed and this field is each year being improved. In 1940 100 permits were issued to baseball teams from Malden and Melrose for use of this field and it is estimated that over 52,000 people attended these games. There were also issued 132 permits to softball teams from the two cities at which games there was an attendance of approximately 7,000 persons.

Several years ago an archery field was laid out which during the past year has been almost constantly used by the Melrose Archery Club. During the year two large archery meets were held with clubs from Malden and surrounding cities. During the Fall girls' field hockey teams of both Malden and Melrose used their respective fields.

A two day camporee was held by the Boy Scouts of Malden and Melrose at which 200 scouts with their scout masters attended. Hundreds of children and adults have visited the "zoo" and the playground and enjoyed the swings, tilts, chutes, horizontal ladders and other amusement equipment.

Among recent improvements to the park during the past year the following are worthy of mention. A two car garage and tool house twenty-four by forty was built. The lumber used in this building was salvaged from the trees blown down by the hurricane of 1938 and the building was erected by boys of the National Youth Organization of Melrose under the able supervision of Mr. Harold Ogden of Melrose. A concrete bridge was built on Woodside Road between Pine Banks Park and Wyoming Cemetery. This work was also done by NYA boys with the very capable aid of Mr. Fred Ellis of the Melrose Public Works and Mr. Dennis Sullivan, Superintendent of Streets in Malden. A large rock garden was built along the Malden entrance of the park and planted with many varieties of trees and shrubs. A special appropriation of three hundred dollars was made by Melrose for this work which was done by Melrose NYA boys under the able supervision of Mr. Carl Zeininger of Melrose. In the late summer and early autumn rock gardens of

unusual natural beauty were planted with several varieties of annual plants and colorful flowers. In the spring of 1940 a display of 2500 tulips of various colors were planted along the avenue at the Malden entrance which attracted hundreds of visitors. Along the Main Street side of the park cement block letters measuring three by five feet have been placed on the bank reading "PINE BANKS PARK" and the entire bank has been terraced in an effort to make a more attractive site. This work was also done by NYA boys.

The park is maintained and its natural attractiveness preserved by the trustees in so far as they are able with the appropriations made by the two cities and by the use of strictest economy. About 900 large pines still standing after the hurricane with hundreds of young pines from two to fifteen feet high. Numerous other trees and shrubs of various species such as spruces, hemlock, maples, ashes, beeches, birches, horse-chestnuts, sasafras, mountain laurels, rhododendrons and beauty bushes add to the natural beauty of the landscape. The large baseball diamond has been resurfaced and made ready for ball playing next spring. This work and much of the general work of the park has been done by men supplied from the Welfare Departments of Malden and Melrose. In addition to the benefits derived from the use of the park both Malden and Melrose have benefited by the distribution to welfare recipients during the past year of approximately fifty cords of wood which were delivered by the park truck.

The report of the Treasurer showing receipts and expenditures by the trustees during the past year has been submitted under separate cover, and forms a part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,

PARKER CONVERSE
HON. ELBRIDGE G. DAVIS
LOUIS B. HEATON
ROBERT A. HODGDON
CHARLES H. GILMORE
HON. WILLIAM A. HASTINGS, Ex-Officio
HON. ROBERT A. PERKINS, Ex-Officio
Trustees
By—CHARLES H. GILMORE
Secretary.

Cash on hand Jan. 2, 1941 in First National Bank Savings Department as shown by Pass book # 15,223 with interest to Sept. 5, 1940		$ 624.09
Appropriations		
City of Malden	$2,700.00	
City of Melrose	2,700.00	
Total		$5,400.00

Expenditures		
Pay Roll		
City of Malden		1,615.00
City of Melrose		1,614.20
		3,229.20
Telephone		49.80
Electricity		14.25
Insurance		223.59
Taxes		18.29
Auto, gas, oil and repairs		398.31
Hardware and supplies		676.05
Feed and grain for animals		328.93
Coal, Fertilized and Seeds		122.40
New furnace for keeper's house		237.52
New lawn mower		96.45
Expended by Malden	$2,696.40	
Expended by Melrose	2,698.39	
Total		5,394.79
Unexpended balance		5.21
City of Malden	3.60	
City of Melrose	1.61	
Appropriation		$5,400.00

SAVINGS BANK BALANCE

Balance on hand Jan. 2, 1940	$615.02
Interest to Mar. 5, 1940	4.46
Interest to Sept. 5, 1940	4.61
Balance on hand Jan. 2, 1941	$624.09

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
Melrose, Massachusetts.
Gentlemen:

The Melrose Planning Board herewith submits its twenty-seventh annual report. The following meetings held: ten regular, one special, and two hearings. The Board has had an excellent attendance throughout the year, and several interesting problems.

On October 7, 1940, the Board unanimously voted to recommend to the Board of Aldermen the adoption of Chapter 211 of the Acts of 1936, as amended by Chapter 113 of the Acts of 1938, relative to combining the duties of the Planning Board and the Board of Survey. Fifty-seven municipalities in this Commonwealth have already adopted this measure, among them are the following:

Municipalities:

Attleboro	Malden	Newburyport	Southbridge
Brookline	Medford	Newton	Swampscott
Canton	Methuen	North Andover	Walpole
Concord	Milford	Pittsfield	Wellesley
Fitchburg	Milton	Revere	Whitman
Franklin	Natick	Rockland	Winthrop
Holyoke	Needham	Saugus	Worcester

One of the important phases of the Act includes additional regulation and control of Subdivisions as shown in the table below.

A Comparison of Subdivision Regulations and Control Authorized Under the Board of Survey Act and under Chapter 211, Acts of 1936

AUTHORIZED REQUIREMENTS OF DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

Board of Survey Act.	Chap. 211, Acts of 1936.
Land	
	Board shall require land shown on plat to be safe for building purposes.
Ways	
Board shall require ways shown on plat to have proper grades, width and location.	Board shall require ways shown on plat to have proper grades, width and location.
	Board may require provision of ways, on proper bond to secure performance.

Utilities

In cities only, Board shall require plat to show proper drainage.	Board may require provision of utilities, or proper bond to secure performance.

Parks

Board shall require, in proper cases, plat to show park or parks.

CONTROL OVER FULFILLMENT OF REQUIREMENTS

Municipal Improvements

No municipal utility or improvement shall be constructed in any private way unless plat has been approved.	No municipal utility or improvement shall be constructed in any way, private or public, unless plat has been approved.

Building Permits

No permit for the erection of any dwelling shall be issued unless plat has been approved.

Prepared by Massachusetts State Planning Board

On December 16, 1940, a local real estate operator appeared before the Board to explain his proposed project of a parking space and service alley between Essex and Foster Streets, west of Main Street, involving a land taking of approximately 39,000 square feet by the city. This project was intended, by him, to relieve traffic and parking conditions on Main Street, and to provide simultaneously a service entrance for deliveries to the rear of stores on the west side of Main Street, between Essex and Foster Streets.

At a special meeting on December 16, 1940, it was unanimously voted to go on record as opposed to the city's taking land for this project, since it was believed that it would serve private interests only, rather than public interests.

The public hearing on this project was held before the Board of Aldermen on December 30, 1940, and eight members of the Planning Board attended. The objections were brought out to the project, by the Chairman, and an alternate plan of developing the present parking area in the rear of City Hall, is now under consideration by the Aldermen, as a part of the solution to this problem.

A review of the outstanding recommendations of the Planning Board that await action is as follows:

1) Layout of the Southeast Section of the city by a city Planning Consultant.

2) Steps to acquire that part of Stoneham now situated between The Fellsway and our city line. This district now obtains practically all its services from Melrose, since it is entirely cut off from Stoneham by The Middlesex Fells Reservation.

3) Procedure on The Spot Brook drainage problem, including additional legislation, as necessary.

4) Layout of the raised traffic island at the junction of Main and Green Streets; or the possibility of making Green Street one way traffic going north.

5) Adoption of Chapter 211 of the Acts of 1936, as amended by Chapter 113 of the Acts of 1938, which combines the duties of the Planning Board and The Board of Survey.

It is urgently recommended that this Chapter be adopted by the City of Melrose at the earliest opportunity, as an aid to coordination of departments and general efficiency of supervision and planning.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY PLANNING BOARD
Allen L. Giles, Chairman.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Hon. Robert A. Perkins,
Mayor of Melrose
Melrose, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Chapter 29 of the Revised Ordinances, I respectfully submit the annual report of the Melrose Police Department, for the year ending December 31, 1940.

Number of duty calls reported	54,167
Number of telephone calls	12,882
Number of wagon calls	13
Number of ambulance calls	349

ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR 1940

Crimes Against the Person

	Males	Females
A and B with a dangerous weapon	1	0
Assault and Battery	5	0
Carnal abuse of female	1	0
Total	7	0

Crimes Against Property

Larceny	5	2
Breaking, Entering and Larceny	2	0
Attempt to commit Larceny	1	0
Using M. V. without Authority	3	0
Larceny of an automobile	1	0
Total	12	2

Crimes Against Public Order

Child Abandonment	0	1
Drunkeness	71	4
Non-Support	18	0
Parking Viol.	1	0
Truant	1	0
Viol. of Milk Laws	1	0
Oper. M. V. Without License	4	0
Oper. M. V. under Infl. of Liquor	7	1
Speeding laws Viol.	1	0
Traffic Laws Viol.	1	0
Insane Persons	8	7

Viol. of Probation	20	0
Failed to slow M. V. at intersection	1	0
Illegitimate Child Act Viol.	5	0
Non Payment of Wages	3	0
Leaving scene of accident (M. V.)	1	1
Neglected Child	1	1
Cruelty to Animals	1	0
Perjury	1	0
Exposing Person	1	0
Oper. M. V. without Insp. Sticker	1	0
Fornication	1	0
Failed to stop at signal of Officer	1	0
Disorderly conduct	0	1
Total	150	16

MISCELLANEOUS WORK PERFORMED FOR YEAR OF 1940

Arrests on warrants	72
Arrests without warrants	131
Total	203
Males	188
Females	19
Minors	1
Delinquents	7
Residents	118
Non-Residents	62
Insane—Male	8
Insane—Female	7
In Court	390
Number of cases	293
Assisted in arrests	123
Accidents reported	370
Ambulance cases	349
Automobiles stopped and warned	1828
Automobiles tagged	582
Buildings found open	254
Cases investigated	1880
Dead Bodies found	4
Defective streets and sidewalks	36
Defective wires reported	12
Defective Hydrants and Pipes	1
Disturbances suppressed	50
Dogs Killed	4
Fire alarms attended	182
Fire alarms given	12
Fires extinguished without Alarm	9
Lanterns hung in dangerous places	35
Letters delivered	2322
Lost children restored	23

Notices served	293
Sick and Injured persons assisted	91
Street lights reported out	225
Street Obstructions reported or removed	23
Summonses served	390
Visits to Libraries	16
Water Leaks reported	19
Number of hours of traffic duty performed	16,609
Special Messages delivered	486
Extra hours duty performed without pay	232
Dog bites reported	22
Dead animals reported	28
Vacant houses investigated	2148
Automobiles stolen in the city	27
Automobiles recovered in the city	38
Amount of property recovered in the city	$14,151.00
Amount of property stolen in the city	8,560.00
Lost property returned to owner	14,724.00
Missing persons reported	18
Missing person located	20
Gas leaks reported	1

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS B. HEATON,
Captain in charge.

REPORT OF PROPERTY VALUATION BOARD

To His Honor, the Mayor and Honorable Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

The Property Valuation Board herewith submits its annual report for the year 1940.

During the year the following lots of land were disposed of:

Lot No. 54 Beech Avenue	$400.00
Lot No. 3 Waverly Avenue	500.00
Lot No. 12 Cargill Street	100.00

The purchaser of Lot No. 54 Beech Avenue is now occupying a new house which he built as soon as the Lot was registered in the Land Court. The purchaser of Lot No. 3 Waverly Avenue intends to build in the spring.

The Board has placed "For Sale" signs on sixteen lots of land and during the coming year will advertise in the local papers.

Respectfully submitted,

S. HOMER BUTTRICK, Chairman
MALCOLM G. FILLMORE
FRANK J. SHERMAN

REPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

To His Honor, the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:

The Trustees of the Public Library, herewith submit the report of the Librarian for the year 1940, as their report.

Respectfully,

PAUL STERLING
Chairman of Trustees

To the Trustees of the Melrose Public Library:

It would be interesting to give you, in this report for the year 1940, some of the intimate happenings in the Library which never reach the eye or the ear of the Public, and which greatly add to the enthusiasm one has for Library work, but most of them are things that would lose much in the telling.

The routine work of the Library has been done smoothly, and the Staff has met all the varied demands made upon it, cheerfully. As we are continually reaching more people, we feel that the year has been satisfactory to a degree.

The circulation of books has been slightly less than in 1939, partly due to fewer unemployed, and partly to the more serious books that are being read. The reference work, however, has greatly increased, and the problem of taking care of the young people after school in the afternoons and the evenings, without crowding out the older people, is a serious one. There are 13,995 registered borrowers, with 1,487 new registrations in 1940. During the eight months the Library is open Sunday, 3,959 persons used the Library on Sundays. There were 3,182 cards sent for reserved books.

The Melrose Camera Club had several exhibits of beautiful photographs, which were enjoyed greatly by the public. A joint exhibit of hand weaving by Dr. Mary P. Dole, and of hand work by Mrs. William A. Dole, drew a large and appreciative number of visitors. A meeting under the sponsorship of the Art Committee of the Woman's Club was held in the Library Hall, with a talk by Mrs. Fort on the Art Treasures of the Library. Many were surprised to find so many beautiful Art books and photographs in the Library. Tea was served.

A very beautiful Wedgewood bust of Robert Burns was presented to the Library by Miss Mary Curtis. In answer to a note the Librarian sent to the Melrose paper, all the records of the Franklin Fraternity are now in the Library. It seems fitting that the records

of the Society should be here, in as much as the Franklin Fraternity gave the first books to the Library when it was founded.

Several classes from the grade schools have been to the Library for instruction in the use of the Library. The pupils are always full of enthusiasm and eager to learn all they can about the Library. Groups of Girl Scouts have also been to the Library to do work for their merit badge.

The Children's Librarian and the Reference Librarian have spoken several times to Parent Teacher Groups on books and what the Library has to give the pupils and the parents.

We would like to express our appreciation to all who have given books to the Library, and also to the good friends who have given flowers to the Library.

The Librarian wishes to express her sincere appreciation for the splendid work done by the Staff, and the never failing co-operation of you the Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,

ELSIE M. HATCH,
Librarian

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FORM OF STATISTICS

Name of Library ..... Melrose Public Library
City and State ..... Melrose, Massachusetts
Name of Librarian ..... Elsie M. Hatch
Date of founding 1871
Population served (latest estimate) 24,670
Assessed valuation $38,515,900
Total number of agencies
Central Library
Branches 4
Other agencies: School-rooms, Sanitarium
Number of days open during year, Central Library 333
Hours open each week, for reading, Central Library
69 (9 months) 66 (3 months)
Hours open each week, for lending, Central Library
69 (9 months) 66 (3 months)
Number of volumes at beginning of year 63,356
Number of volumes added by purchase 1,804
Number of volumes added by gift 95
Number of volumes at end of year 65,255
Circulation of books 185,009
Number of registered borrowers 13,995

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE
Of the City of Melrose For the Year 1940

Hon. Robert A. Perkins, Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Melrose, Massachusetts

Sirs:

The Board of Public Welfare herewith submits its report for the year ending, December 31, 1940.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY M. CUSHMAN, Chairman
HELEN S. CAMPBELL
ALICE M. FAY
JOHN W. HUSE
CARL A. RAYMOND

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

During 1940 more changes in the personnel of the Board and the staff occurred than in any year since the reorganization of the Department in 1932. On March 30, 1940, Mrs. Adaline G. Reed, Clerk of the Board, died ending thirty years of devoted service to the City of Melrose in the Department of Public Welfare.

On April 29, 1940, Luther B. Gaines, a member of the Board, resigned after eight years of useful service.

To fill the two vacancies thus caused, Mayor Perkins appointed Carl A. Raymond, who recently retired from the office of State Budget Commissioner, and John W. Huse, Esquire.

On November 5, 1940, the Department suffered a severe loss in death of the Superintendent, Laura A. Talbot, who had served in that position since February 23, 1933. To succeed Mrs. Talbot the Board appointed Gertrude M. Bryan, senior visitor, to be acting-superintendent. An examination for the position will be held early in 1941 as required under civil service rules.

The resignation in October of Aylmer Stantial, visitor, made further inroads into the Staff. Mary J. Melville, clerk, was appointed to the vacancy from the civil service list and Mrs. Marion Thompson, clerk, was given a provisional appointment as visitor until the examination to provide a new list can be held. These promotions have made necessary the appointment of two new clerks. All of these changes together have resulted in a complete reconstruction of the staff during 1940.

GENERAL RELIEF SITUATION

In all of our recent annual reports we have stated that the chief reliance of employable people on the general relief rolls is the WPA. This was still true in 1940. Of 127 persons removed from the rolls during the year, 90 were placed on the WPA as against 28 in private employment. The other 9 were removed for death and other causes. In the month of December the number on the WPA payroll was 207. During the same month there were 44 employable persons on the general relief rolls of whom 20, for one reason or another, were not eligible for WPA employment. The amount paid by the WPA for wages during 1940 was $145,698.52 as compared with $61,873.90 expended for general relief exclusive of sums paid to other cities and towns and to the Commonwealth for relief of Melrose settled persons living elsewhere.

The stimulation of private employment as a result of the national defense program came too late in 1940 to have any appreciable effect on relief rolls. Just what the effect will be in 1941 and later remains to be seen. Experience over the years shows that changes in relief rolls lag behind changes in employment. It is necessary to keep in mind that, generally speaking, those on relief rolls are the unskilled workers for whom there is little demand in defense industries. The Board has been made keenly aware during the past few months of the unfortunate position of the man who has taken on the responsibilities of family life without ever having acquired a work skill of any kind. It is to be hoped that the various training programs of Government and industry will work out a solution for this lamentable situation.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Old age assistance continued as the heaviest item in the relief budget during 1940. It would not be so, of course, but for the fact that WPA carries the principal share of the burden of unemployment relief. Furthermore, the number granted old age assistance continued to increase throughout the year although at a slightly slower rate than in previous years. As yet, however, there is no substantial evidence of a leveling off of the demand for old age assistance. Whether or not that will come during the present year with the general improvement in the employment situation remains to be seen. As we have commented in earlier reports, the demand for old age assistance as well as the demand for general relief affected by the employment market for the reason that when bread winners of families cannot find work they cannot support their aged members.

An important change which affected the ultimate cost of old age assistance to the city was a revision in the rate of reimbursement by the Federal Government, the maximum now being $20.00 instead of $15.00 as formerly.

In previous reports we have mentioned the constant drive to-

ward liberalizing the old age assistance law. This is still going on. The 1941 session of the General Court has before it some sixty bills all aiming in various ways to liberalize the law, whether by reducing the age of eligibility, increasing the amounts granted, raising the value of property that may be owned by applicants or by relieving children either wholly or in part from the obligation of supporting their aged parents. Whether or not old age assistance will end finally as the out and out pension many people, including some of the applicants, believe it to be even now time will tell.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

The number of aid to dependent children cases remained at an average of 35 throughout the year. In this category there was also a favorable change in the basis of Federal reimbursement. Instead of approximately one third of the total payment, the Federal Government now carries approximately one half.

RATE OF RELIEF PAYMENTS

The amount that any family or individual receives in relief is determined by two general considerations; first, what is needed to meet reasonable requirements in terms of the relief budget recommended by the State Department; and second, the necessity for keeping within the annual appropriations for the expenses of the Department. To keep these two factors in proper balance requires humaneness and diligence on the part of the Board and the staff, and careful consideration of each application to make sure that the need is reasonably covered and that relatives obligated to care for their dependents do so to the extent of their ability.

MONTHLY CASE LOAD

Dependent Aid

	Single Persons	Number of Families	Number of Persons Represented
January	82	113	550
February	74	102	498
March	73	102	514
April	75	85	444
May	88	78	416
June	80	85	429
July	87	88	449
August	73	82	405
September	70	69	365
October	74	68	348
November	72	68	353
December	75	78	384

Old Age Assistance

	Number of Individuals
January	360
February	361
March	358
April	362
May	366
June	367
July	377
August	380
September	372
October	371
November	370
December	375

Aid To Dependent Children

	Families	Children	Total Number of Persons
January	36	93	129
February	36	93	129
March	35	91	126
April	35	89	124
May	34	87	121
June	33	85	118
July	32	81	113
August	35	91	126
September	35	91	126
October	35	91	126
November	35	91	126
December	34	90	124

EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEARS JAN. 1, 1930 TO DEC. 31, 1940

	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
Administration:											
(a) Salaries	$1,696.50	$1,857.60	$3,118.45	$3,885.18	$4,454.00	$4,908.50	§$5,510.67	$5,373.25	$5,296.03	$4,972.00	$3,887.12
(b) Other Expenses	195.70	181.19	554.57	709.25	983.97	992.50	989.58	869.43	998.15	1,021.94	997.39
Dependent Aid	12,865.05	23,119.18	45,293.77	66,038.47	46,009.24	56,671.38	62,328.97	68,156.24	73,228.12	87,220.12	77,823.19
Relief by Other Cities and Towns	6,548.40	10,788.29	13,334.59	15,877.08	14,245.41	10,408.62	*	*	*	*	*
Maintenance in Hospitals	1,744.00	1,752.75	2,967.25	3,423.51	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Old Age Assistance			24,866.91	33,131.98	38,574.27	40,095.25	†59,138.04	56,736.54	59,116.90	65,963.38	65,643.18
Aid to Dep. Children	2,598.73	2,535.25	2,609.99	5,110.27	6,941.82	7,765.40	11,784.76	15,015.62	19,329.26	21,406.30	18,308.06
Nursing Service						720.00	*	*	*	*	*
Purchase of Auto					633.73				150.00		
Xmas Party for Needy Children					62.37	75.00	*	75.00	66.98	75.00	46.69
Fed. Old Age Assist.								42,612.29	45,239.90	51,369.47	58,227.98
Fed. Aid to Dep. Children								4,495.91	4,001.14	4,994.65	6,853.69
Fed. Old Age Asst. Admin.								1,522.61	1,686.50	1,763.57	1,978.65
Fed. Aid to Dependent Children, Admin.										384.75	866.27
Totals	$25,648.38	$40,234.26	$92,745.53	$128,175.74	$111,904.81	$121,645.65	$139,752.02	$194,856.89	$209,112.98	$239,174.18	‡$234,632.22

§Includes $133.67 reimbursement from Federal funds.

†Includes $19,050.54 reimbursement from Federal funds.

*Consolidated with Dependent Aid.

‡$6200.00 owed other cities and towns held for payment until 1941.

TRUST FUNDS

Expenditures for the years Jan. 1, 1930 to Dec. 31, 1940

	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935
Currier Fund	$1,235.70	$1,429.40	$656.73	$578.99	$292.82	$914.87
Toothaker Fund			119.36	67.00	121.78	296.00

	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
Currier Fund	$1,077.26	$572.82	$329.27	$1,295.98	$743.51
Toothaker Fund	176.00				5.00

Receipts

	From City Treas.	Balance from 1939	Refunds	Total
Eleanor E. Toothaker Fund		$112.99		$112.99
A. C. Marie D. Currier Fund	$738.51		$5.00	$743.51

Expenditures

	Balance to 1941	Expended	Total
Eleanor E. Toothaker Fund	$107.99	$ 5.00	$112.99
A. C. Marie D. Currier Fund		743.51	743.51

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

Receipts

	Budget Appro.	Revenue and Transfer Orders	Receipts and Refunds	Balances from 1939	Credits (cor. entries)	Total
General Administration	$ 4,517.00				$ 322.40	$ 4,839.40
Dependent Aid & Relief by Other Cities & Towns	71,000.00	$5,450.00	$ 1,385.85			77,835.85
Fed. Aid to Dep. Children			6,896.09			6,896.09
Aid to Dependent Children	21,000.00		47.50			21,047.50
Fed. Aid to Dep. Children Admin.			440.22	$ 357.92	68.70	866.84
Old Age Assistance	65,000.00		644.88		2,000.00	67,644.88
Fed. Old Age Assistance			59,987.09	417.83		60,404.92
Fed. Old Age Assistance, Admin.			2,017.32	256.18		2,273.50
Other Expenses	1,000.00					1,000.00
Xmas Party Expenses	75.00					75.00
	$162,592.00	$5,450.00	$71,418.95	$1,031.93	$2,391.10	$242.883.98

Expenditures

	Expended	Transfers	Unexpended Balance	Total
General Administration	$ 3,887.12	$ 950.00	$ 2.28	$ 4,839.40
Dependend Aid & Relief by Other Cities & Towns	77,823.19		12.66	77,835.85
Aid to Dependent Children	18,308.06	2,500.00	239.44	21,047.50
Fed. Aid to Dep. Children	6,853.69		42.40	6,896.09
Fed. Aid to Dep. Children Admin.	866.27		.57	866.84
Old Age Assistance	65,643.18	2,000.00	1.70	67,644.88
Fed. Old Age Assistance	58,227.98		2,176.94	60,404.92
Fed. Old Age Assistance Admin.	1,978.65		294.85	2,273.50
Other Expenses	997.39		2.61	1,000.00
Chirstmas Party Expenses	46.69		28.31	75.00
	$234,632.22	$5,450.00	$2,801.76	$242,883.98

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

	Fuel	Clothing	Cash	Hospital	Glasses	Dentist	Medicine	Nurse	Rent	Total
January	$12.00		$2,140.50	$ 34.80		$ 3.00				$ 2,190.30
February	9.30	$ 7.97	2,185.50	72.00			$ 2.00		$ 20.00	2,296.77
March	5.30		2,125.00	48.70	$ 7.00		4.00			2,190.00
April	5.30		2,099.00	127.05			.60		38.00	2,269.95
May			2,016.50	45.60			2.95	$9.00	38.00	2,112.05
June			1,888.00	.90					38.00	1,926.90
July			1,867.00	15.00		18.00	1.90		38.00	1,939.90
August			1,852.50				3.80		38.00	1,894.30
September			1,978.00				1.20		38.00	2,017.20
October			1,975.73		7.00	32.00	.65		38.00	2,053.38
November			1,965.00	67.00			.65		38.00	2,070.65
December		2.75	2,034.00	108.60		15.00	2.00		38.00	2,200.35
Totals	$31.90	$10.72	$24,126.73	$519.65	$14.00	$68.00	$19.75	$9.00	$362.00	$25,161.75

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE — 1940

	Cash	Hospital	Fuel	Dentist	Burial	Nursing Home	Nurse	Medicine	Cities and Towns	Glasses	Misc.	Total
January	$ 9,523.58	$ 160.72		$ 1.50								$ 9,685.80
February ...	9,496.65	296.25			$ 100.00		$13.00					9,905.90
March	9,422.46	173.00		2.50	100.00		8.00	$ 18.00		$ 14.00		9,737.96
April	9,537.47		$7.95		200.00		13.00	10.09		34.00		9,802.51
May	9,550.14	104.50		13.50	200.00		22.00	15.60		8.00	$ 6.10	9,919.84
June	9,632.96	117.00		92.00	200.00		26.00	16.74		15.00		10,099.70
July	10,026.87	85.00			100.00	$10.70	24.00	14.57		4.50		10,265.64
August	10,095.41	58.00			200.00		16.00	7.75			17.86	10,395.02
September ..	9,695.00	6.00		48.00	100.00		9.00	15.50		18.00		9,843.50
October	9,784.77			2.50			18.00	11.70		5.50	5.00	9,872.97
November ..	9,858.93	57.00		18.00			17.00	4.50		10.50	13.00	9,963.43
December ...	11,749.03	120.00					10.00	20.90	$2,460.96			14,378.89
	$118,373.27	$1,177.47	$7.95	$178.00	$1,200.00	$10.70	$176.00	$135.35	$2,460.96	$109.50	$41.96	$123,871.16

DEPENDENT AID — 1940

	Food	Fuel	Petty Cash	Cash	Milk	Shoes	Moving	Glasses	W.P.A. Comm.	Dentist
January	$ 74.00	$ 601.85	$ 75.00	$ 3,945.38	$ 99.58	$ 35.43			$591.52	
February	89.85	566.15	46.00	4,663.59	88.61	8.35		$ 35.00		$ 4.00
March	55.15	532.45	113.00	3,712.56	105.56	31.59	$12.00			15.00
April	64.95	332.45	27.00	3,419.00	79.80	6.75		27.00		4.50
May	60.90	159.00	60.00	4,386.30	108.46	17.86		8.75		14.00
June	57.65	89.37	113.00	3,656.00	85.80	4.18		34.00		81.00
July	34.50	74.74	68.00	4,956.50	75.96	11.61		.75		14.00
August	68.70	72.74	46.00	3,473.00	108.82	2.70		5.50		2.00
September	27.70	103.94	18.00	3,149.00	72.08	42.18		10.40		9.00
October		11.23	71.50	2,326.50						
November	2.50	268.32	74.00	4,314.57	44.33	14.85	45.00	10.00		
December	31.60	719.50	69.00	2,973.50	147.81	35.61		15.00		14.00
	$567.50	$3,531.74	$780.50	$44,975.90	$1,016.81	$211.11	$57.00	$146.40	$591.52	$157.50

DEPENDENT AID — 1940 (Continued)

	Hospital	Medicine	Nurse	Nursing Home	Rent	Burial	Commonwealth	Cities and Towns	Totals
January	$ 221.55	$ 58.61	$ 5.00						$ 5,707.92
February	329.38	58.16	4.00	$48.00					5,941.09
March	206.40	45.64	7.00	17.16					4,853.51
April	234.73	50.77	5.00		$ 446.50				4,698.45
May	872.90	31.09	4.00		416.50				6,139.76
June	203.38	44.41	4.00		416.50				4,789.29
July	196.80	17.33	5.00		443.50	$100.00			5,998.69
August	766.95	46.20	4.00		376.50		$1,929.43	$ 214.70	7,117.24
September	287.93	31.11	4.00		403.50				4,158.84
October					353.50				2,762.73
November	177.40	89.79	4.00		409.50				5,454.26
December	1,694.77	82.21	19.00		494.25	100.00	1,379.84	12,425.32	20,201.41
Totals	$5,192.19	$555.32	$65.00	$65.16	$3,760.25	$200.00	$3,309.27	$12,640.02	$77,823.19

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Salary of Superintendent	$1,477.85
Salary of Board	230.62
Salary of Clerk of Board	175.00
Salary of Visitors	2,481.08
Salary of Assistants	2,027.55
Total Expended	$6,392.10

OTHER EXPENSES

Postage	$ 276,97
Office Supplies	335.20
Telephone	158.24
Advertising	8.50
Car	258.36
Maintenance of Office Machines	29.60
Office Equipment	120.40
Board of Probation	10.41
Dues, Conference and Literature	75.30
Travel Expense	3.85
Social Service Index	60.50
Total expended	$1,337.33

REPORT OF WORK PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Work Projects Administration of Melrose herewith presents its report for the year ending December 31, 1940.

The object of the Work Projects Administration was to provide work and wages for the needy, able-bodied unemployed. The City Departments plan and sponsor various projects, and the Federal Government supplies the labor.

Employment under Work Projects Administration shows an average of 300 men and women until July 5th when it was reduced to 81, the low level. This decline was due to quota reduction and the 30-day lay-off of all who had worked continuously on the program for 18 months. On December 31 there were 207 people employed. The peak for the year was the month of January when 300 men and women were on the rolls.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT: The major project in this Department was the development of the Wyoming Cemetery. About 340 Lin. feet of two faced fence wall was constructed, 810 Lin. feet of Roadway 20 ft. wide was built, ½ mile of Water pipe laid, 1100 Cu. yds. of soil turned over and all large stones removed to a depth of 5 ft. making it suitable for burial purposes, 400 ft. Retaining Wall average height 10 ft. was constructed.

CITY CLERK'S DEPARTMENT: This Department had a project for the reindexing and cross indexing of Town Meeting Records from the year 1850 to 1899 inclusive.

FIRE DEPARTMENT: This Department sponsored a survey to determine exact location of all hydrants, fire and police boxes, catch basins and water mains, and take data on water pressure, same to be carded and a complete set of maps made and furnished to the Fire Department and Water Department. This information will be of material aid to both departments especially in case of severe storms.

PARK DEPARTMENT: The principal project sponsored by this department was providing a Parking space for 200 cars at Mt. Hood Reservation, and the widening of the 4th Fairway, took out curves and eased grades, resurfaced, tarred and sanded Service Road.

Cleared sides of all Fairways of stones, stumps and brush. Tore down one old ice house, one old storage shed and two houses. Built Picnic Grounds, fifteen fire-places and sixteen Picnic Tables. Graded over all water pipes, cleaned up sides of Tower Road, Fish and Game Road, and Service Road.

PINE BANKS PARK: A crew of N.Y.A. youths were assigned to this Park to clear this area of all dead trees; remove stumps and undergrowth; plant new trees and shrubbery, trim and perform tree surgery where necessary.

POLICE DEPARTMENT: This Department sponsored a project for the cataloguing and indexing of all police department records from the year 1915 to the present time, so as to systematize the records to conform with those of surrounding cities in uniformity.

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT: This Board actively participated in all relief work in sponsoring the sewing unit project and in distribution of clothing and surplus commodities. The Federal Government distributed clothing and food valued at $41,624.24.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT: This Department sponsored a Tree Survey project which was conducted to determine location and condition of all trees on City streets and property. A complete record, both on cards and maps for ready reference was made. This department also sponsored the National Youth Project giving about 85 boys instruction in tree sanitation.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT: This Department participated in the relief program through the interior decoration of class rooms in the High, Calvin Coolidge, Gooch, Warren, Franklin, Lincoln, Washington, Winthrop, and the interior and exterior of the Roosevelt School. Also 33,000 sq. ft. of new class room floors were laid in the Franklin, Whittier, Warren and Coolidge Schools. This department also sponsored a study of school planning and trend and school population survey. Information gained from this survey to be a guide in developing program for the present and future school planning.

ADMINISTRATION: Control and execution, clerical and accounting work connected with execution of all Work Projects Administration Projects, and assisting those needing relief in procuring work on the W.P.A.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN T. HOYT,
Sponsor's Agent.

CITY OF MELROSE
1940

FEDERAL AND CITY OF MELROSE EXPENDITURES

	Federal W.P.A. Labor	Federal W.P.A. Materials	Percentage of Participation	City of Melrose	Expenditures Total Costs
Cemetery Dept.	$ 46,980.53		37.40	$10,278.18	$ 57,258.71
City Clerk's Dept. ..	876.16		.0		876.16
Fire Dept.	2,253.96		.0		2,253.96
Park Dept.	51,641.01	1,980.50	19.20	5,288.92	58,910.43
Police Dept.	2,152.92		.06	18.00	2,170.92
Public Works Dept.	117.41		.02	5.46	122.87
School Dept.	19,409.38		15.80	4,338.20	23,747.58
Sew. Unit, Pub. Wel.	17,839.56		24.10	6,616.46	24,456.02
Surplus C'mm'dities	4,306.75		3.16	869.41	5,176.16
Nat. Youth Adm. ..	5,955.49		.20	60.38	6,015.87
Alderm'nic Records	120.84		.06	18.04	138.88
Administration			.0	7,003.83	7,003.83
Totals	$151,654.01	$1,980.50	100.00	$34,496.88	$188,131.39

REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor
and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The fortieth annual report of the Public Works Department is herewith submitted.

This department has been greatly assisted in the performance of its duties by the close co-operation of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and by all the employees who have worked loyally for the best interest of the City.

Credit for this report is given to the heads of the various divisions of the Public Works Department who have compiled it.

Attached hereto are tables showing the work done during the year and a financial statement showing the itemized costs.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. ELLIS,
Engr. and Supt. Public Works

ORGANIZATION—1940

Engineer and Superintendent
FRED E. ELLIS

Division Assistants

Engineering:	EDWIN H. KING
Highway:	JOHN B. SIMONDS
Sewer and Drains:	S. HALE HARDING
Water:	DENNIS J. MURPHY

WATER CONSTRUCTION 1940

LOCATION	Cast Iron Pipe		Gates		Hydrants	
	Size Inches	Lin. Feet	Size Inches	No.	Size Inches	No.
Damon Ave. Cochrane St. Easterly	6	102	6	1	6	1
Sherwood Rd. Porter St. Northerly	6	288	6	1		
Howard St. to Lynn Fells Parkway Via Rt. of Way	10	240	10	1		
Howard St. to Lynn Fells Parkway Via Rt. of Way	6	10	6	1		
Lynn Fells Parkway Opp No. 744—Easterly	6	220	6	1		
E. Emerson St. At Stratford Rd.			6	1		
*Lynn Fells Parkway Albert St. Easterly	10	762	10	2	6	2
*Lynn Fells Parkway Albert St. Easterly	6	18	6	3		
Clifford St. to Lynn Fells Parkway Via Rt. of Way	6	85	6	1		
Laurel St. Opp. No. 169			6	1		
Edgemere St. Ryder Ave. Easterly			6	2		
Meadowview Rd. Porter St. Northerly	6	262	6	1		
Wheeler Ave. Swain's Pond Ave. Northerly	6	280	6	1		
Clinton Rd.	8	144	8	1		
Clinton Rd.	6	5			6	1
Orchard Lane Porter St. Northerly	6	185	6	2		
Cochrane St. Pearl St. Southerly	6	122	6	1		
Lebanon St. Sylvan St. to Hopkins			6 & 10	3	6	1
Reading Hill Ave.			6	1		
Totals		2723		25		5

*Transite Pipe
There were 78 new services laid with a total 3960 lin. ft.
There were 85 new meters set

Total New Gates 26—Total New Hydrants 6

RELAY MAIN LINE 1940

Dills Ct. W. Foster St. Northerly	6	304	6	1		
Cumner Ave. Grove to No. 118	6	475	*6	1	6	*1
Lebanon St. Sylvan St. to Hopkins	10	1412			6	1
Edgemere St. Ryder Ave. Easterly	6	12				
Berwick St. Opp. Grove St.			6	1		
Gibbons St. Mystic Ave. Easterly	6	84	6	1		
Reading Hill Ave.					6	1
Totals		2287		4		3

There were 101 services renewed with a total 2486 lin. ft.—14 leaks in Mains repaired—1-6 in. Gate repaired & replaced—3 Hydrants repaired & replaced—6 service leaks repaired.

*New Gate *New Hydrant

TOTAL LENGTH OF WATER PIPES IN CITY

Size in Inches	Length in Feet
¾ inch	956
1 "	1,425
1½ "	1,611
2 "	7,610
4 "	46,187
6 "	214,320
8 "	31,853
10 "	33,997
12 "	26,223
14 "	3,024
16 "	12,464
Totals	379,670 lin. ft.

Summary:

There are 379,670 lin. ft. or 71.90 Miles of Water Mains in the city.

CONTINUOUS WALKS 1940

STREET	FROM	TO	Granolithic Sq. Ft.		Sodding Sq. Ft.	Loam Sq. Ft.	EDGESTONE		
			Walks	Drives			Straight	Curved	Blocks
Melrose St. Both Sides	Lynn Fells Parkway ..	No. 56 & No. 47 Incl. ..	3110.00	764.45	3600		593.7		12
Sargent St.	No. 96	No. 104 Incl.	940.70	233.00	425				
Hesseltine Ave.	E. Highland Ave.	Pearl St.	1298.95	188.10	940				
Laurel St. No. Side	Highview Ave.	Lot No.	2659.55	687.25	1340		185.0		2
Laurel St. So. Side	@ No. 199	Laurel St.							
Birch Hill Road	Harold St.	Webster Ave.	1775.50	597.90	1210				
*Sheffield Road	Ardsmoor Rd.	Porter St.			5875				
		Totals	9784.70	2470.70	13,390		778.7		14

*Walk laid 1939—Completed 1940

INDIVIDUAL WALKS 1940

STREET	OWNERS	Granolithic Sq. Ft.		Sodding	Edgestone		
		Walks	Drives		Straight	Curved	Blocks
Porter St. No. 144	William J. Duggan	310.35	93.25	210.0	65.2		2

Note: Added to above work the City constructed or widened 42 driveways using 58 corner blocks, 400.0 sq. ft. tar concrete and 1250 sq. ft. Grano.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION 1940

STREET	FROM	TO	No. of Blocks	EDGESTONE		MACADAM	
				Straight	Curved	Lin. ft.	Sq. Yds.
Ledge St.	Bay State Road	Wakefield Line				300.0	670.0
Birch Hill Rd.	Harold St.	Webster Ave.	24	816.3	151.0	540.0	1370.0
		Totals	24	816.3	151.0	840.0	2040.0

HIGHWAY WORK AT MT. HOOD

		Length	Width	Sq. Yds.
Tower Rd.	Parking Areas on West Side Tower Rd. (Surface Treatment) ...	1300.0	25	3600.0

The City also completed the widening of Vinton St. at the angle North of Lynn Fells Parkway & widened Lynde St. at the angle opposite Walnut St.

HIGHWAY WORK ON PRIVATE WAYS

				Lin. Ft.	Sq. Yds.
Upham Terr.	Upham St.	Present End	(Surface Treatment)	300.0	700.0

STREETS RETREADED 1940

STREET	FROM	TO	Length lin. ft.	Width lin. ft.	Sq. Yds.
Argyle St.	Grove St.	Southerly End	1010	20	2235.0
Ashland St.	Melrose St.	Franklin St.	980	28	3050.0
Beacon St.	Temple St.	Northerly End	840	20	1865.0
Brown St.	Wyoming Ave. E.	Mt. Vernon St.	340	22	830.0
Botolph St.	Franklin St.	Woodland Ave.	1020	22	2495.0
Farwell Ave.	Hesseltine Ave.	Green St.	740	23	1890.0
Foster St. W.	Main St.	B.&M. R.R.	960	30	2200.0
Franklin St.	Stoneham Line	B.&M. R.R.	2730	30	9100.0
Gooch St.	Grove St.	First St.	900	18	1800.0
Grove St.	Main St.	Walnut St.	440	24	1175.0
Holland Rd.	W. Emerson St.	Lynn Fells Parkway	730	20	1620.0
Hillside Ave.	Bellevue Ave.	Upham St.	1360	22	3325.0
Malvern St.	Lebanon St.	Meridian St.	1030	22	2520.0
Meridian St.	Grove St.	Park St.	1500	22	3665.0
Melrose St.	Lynn Fells Parkway	Tremont St.	1710	30	5700.0
Mt. Vernon St.	Main St.	Brown St.	1040	20	2310.0
Orris St.	Walton Park	Stoneham Line	860	26	2485.0
Sylvan St.	Ryder Ave.	Cemetery W. Entrance	900	30	3000.0
Summer St.	Lynde St.	Linwood Ave.	320	24	850.0
Tremont St.	Melrose St.	Franklin St.	800	30	2665.0
Temple St.	Beacon St.	Spear St.	820	22	2005.0
Vinton St.	Parkway	Warwick Rd.	1560	24	4160.0
Walton Park	Franklin St.	Natalie Ave.	970	22	2370.0
Wyoming Ave. E.	Summer St.	Easterly End	700	22	1710.0
		Totals	24,260.0		65,025.0

SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS 1940

STREET	FROM	TO	Bituminous Curb Lin. Ft.	Bituminous Walks Sq. Ft.	Loam and Seed Sq. Ft.	Gravel Walks Sq. Ft.
Alden St. No. Side	Trenton St.	Cottage St.	218		230.0	
Alden St. So. Side	Trenton St.	Cottage St.	102		225.0	440.0
Avon St. Both Sides	Elm St.	Green St.	704		1320.0	
Beech Ave. Both Sides	Lebanon St.	Easterly		3700.0		
Bellevue Ave. W. Side	Upham St.	Northerly	355		970.0	
Cottage St. E. Side	Wyoming Ave.	Hurd St.		1510.0		
Chester St. No. Side	Trenton St.	Florence St.		1435.0		
Cedar Pk. No. No. Side	At No. 83-No. 95	& Corner Emerson St.	165		324.0	
Cedar Pk. No. So. Side	At No. 82-No. 86	& Corner Emerson St.	240		435.0	420.0
Cedar Pk. Both Sides	Vinton St.	B.&M. R.R.	500		123.0	
Emerson St. E. No. Side	Bellevue Ave.	Easterly	180	955.0	495.0	
Everett St. So. Side	Pleasant St.	Bartlett St.	190		340.0	
Elm St. W. Side	Avon St.	Southerly	52		156.0	260.0
Emerson St. W. So. Side	Poplar St.	Westerly	622		1415.0	
Emerson St. W. No. Side	Vinton St.	Charles St.	792		2300.0	
Florence St. W. Side	Wyoming Ave.	Chester St.		1400.0		
Farwell Ave. W. Side	At Corner Green St.		123	490.0	140.0	
Farwell Ave. E. Side	Green St.	Hesseltine Ave.	425	970.0	837.0	950.0
Green St. So. Side	Opp. Avon St.	E. Mass St.R.R. Bldgs.	462	2500.0	420.0	
Green St. No. & E. Side	Avon St.	Howard St.	191	865.0	315.0	
Grove St. No. Side	Larrabee St.	Sixth St.	570		1140.0	
Grove St. So. Side	Whitman Ave.	Swain's Pond Ave.	475		1425.0	
Hillside Ave. East Side	Emerson St.	Bellevue Ave.	680		1600.0	
Hillside Ave. West Side	Emerson St.	Bellevue Ave.	135		390.0	330.0
Lebanon St. E. Side	Beech Ave.	Grove St.	635	3240.0	1700.0	
Oakland St. No. Side	Vinton St.	Charles St.	1130	3335.0	2385.0	
Oakland St. So. Side	No. 30	No. 42	215	1075.0	450.0	
Prospect St. No. Side	Poplar St.	Opp. Conant Rd.	630		1890.0	3250.0
Rowe St. W. Side	Upham St.	Northerly		2320.0		
Trenton St. W. Side	W. Wyoming Ave.	Chester St.		1425.0	600.0	
Trenton St. W. Side	Chester St.	Russell St.		1844.0	1350.0	
Trenton St. E. Side	Alden St.	Southerly	290		575.0	450.0
Tremont St. E. Side	Lynn Fells Pkwy.	Melrose St.	1216		840.0	7450.0
Tremont St. W. Side	Opp. Union St.	Southerly	950		2250.0	
Vinton St. So. Side	Upland Rd.	Southerly	720			5060.0
Wyoming Ave.W. So. Side	Florence St.	Trenton St.		1245.0	830.0	
Wyoming Ave.W. So. Side	Trenton St.	Pleasant St.		3540.0	1275.0	
Wyoming Ave. E. No. Side	Summer St.	Easterly	455		1080.0	
		Totals	13,422.0	31,849.0	30,932.0	18,610.0

SURFACE DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION 1940

STREET AND LOCATION	Pipe			No. of Manholes	No. of C. Bs.
	Kind	Size in Feet	Length Feet		
Ell Pond Brook @ Winter Place	Conduit	6 x8	85		
Ell Pond Brook, Rear Melrose Theatre	Conduit	6 x 10	100		
Ell Pond Brook, Rear of Friend's	Conduit	6 x 10	134		
Ell Pond Brook, Corey St. to Berwick St.	Conduit	6 x 10	343		
*Melrose St. Brook, Melrose St. to Parkway	Conduit	4 x 8	105		2
Birch Hill Road @ Harold St.					2
Lynde St., opp. Walnut St.					1
Tremont St., Opp. Athletic Field					1
Crescent Ave. @ Brook					2
Totals			767.0		8

*To be completed 1941

SEWER CONSTRUCTION 1940

STREET	LOCATION	Pipe		No. Manholes
		Size in Inches	Length in Feet	
Conrad Rd.	Cochrane St. Easterly	6	250.0	1
*Old Brook Rd.	No. 12 to Park Ave.	8	98.0	
*Orchard Lane & Porter St.	Porter St. & Porter St. Northerly	8	189.0	1
Porter St.	Sherwood Rd. Easterly	8	250.0	1
Sherwood Rd.	Porter St. Easterly	8	405.0	1
Albert St.	Nelson Rd. to Lynn Fells Parkway	12	333.0	1
Lynn Fells Parkway	Albert St. to Rt. of Way	12	1265.0	9
Rt. of Way	Lynn Fells Parkway to Howard St.	12	230.0	1
Howard St.	No. 213 Easterly	8	211.0	1
Howard St.	No. 207 Westerly	8	408.0	2
	Totals		3639.0	21

*To be completed 1941

Note: The City laid 115 house conn. and repaired 5.

SEWER SYSTEM AS OF DEC. 31, 1940

Size	Length
6" Akron Pipe	138,757 lin. ft.
8" " "	116,638 " "
10" " "	21,947 " "
12" " "	14,744 " "
15" " "	6,175 " "
18" " "	11,691 " "
20" " "	2,788 " "
20" Brick	111 " "
24" Akron	213 " "
24" Brick	28 " "
24" D. S. Akron	1,771 " "
24" Iron	24 " "
18" x 24" Brick	3,035 " "
Total	318,922 lin. ft.

Total length of sewers in city—318,922 lin. ft. or 60.40 miles included in this total are 2.40 miles owned and controlled by the Comm. of Mass. but used by the City.

IMPROVED DRAINAGE SYSTEM DECEMBER 31, 1940

Size and Kind of Pipe	Length in Feet
6 inch Iron Pipe	280.0
8 " Akron "	1,291.0
10 " Akron "	7,885.0
10 " Iron "	442.0
10 " Cement "	119.0
12 " Akron "	49,024.0
12 " Iron "	1,055.0
12 " Cement "	3,260.0
15 " Akron "	20,361.0
15 " Cement "	747.0
16 " Akron "	284.0
16 " Iron "	1,284.0
18 " Akron "	9,243.0
18 " Iron "	1,213.0
18 " Cement "	1,238.0
20 " Akron "	6,289.0
20 " Iron "	556.0
24 " Akron "	3,076.0
24 " Cement "	1,549.0
24 " Iron "	524.0
30 " Iron "	1,222.0
30 " Cement "	2,797.0
36 " Cement "	94.0
36 " Iron "	1,537.0
42 " Iron "	568.0
48 " Iron "	68.0
Brick Conduit	659.0
Concrete	13,940.0
Total	130,605.0 lin. ft.

Concrete Culverts, 12 — Manholes, 552 — Catch Basins, 956
Total length of drains, 130,605 lin. ft. or 24.75 Miles

STATISTICS

CITY OF MELROSE
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS

Location	7 miles north of Boston
Population, January 1, 1941	25,232
Number of Voters	15,267
Greatest extent o fthe city, east and west	2.95 miles
Greatest extent of the city, north and south	2.44 miles
Valuation of Real Estate	$35,779,200.00
Valuation of Personal Property	2,727,800.00
Tax Rate, per thousand	33.60

Area of City:

Land	3,079.50 acres	
Water	35.50 acres	3,115 acres
Length of Public Streets		57.54 miles
Length of Private Streets		16.07 miles
Length of Water Mains		71.90 miles
Length of Sewers		60.40 miles
Range Pressure on mains from		100 to 23 lbs.
Number of 600 candle power incandescent lights		65
Number of 250 candle power incandescent lights		44
Number of 100 candle power incandescent lights		1031
Number of luminous Arcs, all night— 62; to midnight—21		83
Number of Automatic Traffic Signal Outfits		6

Area of Parks:

Bowden Park	.62 acres
Ell Pond Park	34.41 acres
Horace Mann Park	.60 acres
Lincoln School Playground	1.60 acres
Melrose Common	4.4 acres
Messenger's Meadow Playground	2.89 acres
Middlesex Fells	170.0 acres
Mt. Hood	225.0 acres
Pine Banks Park	81.8 acres
Sewall Woods Park	9.0 acres
Wyoming Cemetery	43.5 acres

Elevation, Main Street at City Hall	61 ft. above mean low tide
Elevation, Franklin Square	85 ft. above mean low tide

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
CITY OF MELROSE
1940

Water Construction

Budget		$22,500.00	
B. of A. Orders		6,700.00	
		29,200.00	
Less—B. of A. Orders		3,000.00	
			$26,200.00
Expended:			
Meters		114.66	
Services		2,369.16	
Main Line—			
Clinton Rd.	$1,166.20		
Cochrane St.	688.57		
Conrad Rd.	949.92		
Cumner Ave.	772.38		
Damon Ave.	435.87		
Dills Ct.	340.10		
Edgemere St.	688.00		
Gibbons St.	533.42		
Howard St.	1,476.80		
Laurel St.	30.35		
Lebanon St.	6,028.77		
Lynn Fells Pkwy.	4,770.99		
Meadowview Rd.	869.65		
Myrtle and Grove Sts.	38.66		
Orchard Lane	833.86		
Reading Hill Ave.	836.78		
Sherwood Road	1,547.24		
Wheeler Ave.	1,523.73	23,531.29	26,015.11
Balance			184.89

Cost of Water System

Cost of System to January 1, 1940	$991,281.08
Construction 1940	26,015.11
Cost of System to Jan. 1, 1941	$1,017,296.19

Inside Services and Charges—Working Accounts

Budget	800.00		
Committed from Deposit Account	102.39	902.39	
Less—Committed Items		102.39	800.00
Expended:			
Labor		268.41	
Material and Overhead		435.21	
Teams and Invoices		34.98	738.60
Balance			61.40

Inside Services and Charges—Accounts Receivable

Accounts Due—January 1, 1940	651.31	
Committed 1940	738.60	1,389.91
Less—Receipts 1940		344.88
Accounts Receivable Jan. 1, 1941		1,045.03

Inside Services and Charges—Deposits

Balance from 1939	60.00	
Deposits 1940	3,512.00	
Committed Items	102.39	3,674.39
Less—Refunds		1,136.65
		2,537.74
Expended:		
Labor	1,179.99	
Material and Overhead	1,125.59	
Teams and Invoices	137.55	2,443.13
Balance		94.61

Inside Services and Charges—Deposits Accounts Receivable

Accounts Due—January 1, 1940	78.20	
Committed 1940	102.39	180.59
Less—Receipts 1940		136.63
Deposit Accts. R'c'v'ble Jan. 1, '41		43.96

File Liens on Unpaid Water Bills

Balance 1939	631.29
Less:—B. of A. Order	631.29

New Water Meters

Budget		1,500.00
Expended:		
Invoices		1,345.33
Balance		154.67

WPA—Water Gates; Locate and Plot

Balance 1939		55.83
Expended:		
Invoices		34.30
Balance		21.53

Water Rates—City of Malden

Budget	500.00	
Less—B. of A. Order	221.54	278.46
Expended:		
Invoices		278.46

Water Maintenance

Budget	18,000.00		
B. of A. Orders	4,352.83		
Receipts	23.00	22,375.83	
Less—B. of A. Orders		3,000.00	19,375.83
Expended:			
Overhead—			
Salaries and Wages	476.33		
Expense	3,088.98		
	3,565.31		
Credit by Receipts	4,323.11	757.80	
Material—			
Stock Labor	224.48		
Purchases	12,280.66		
	12,505.14		
Credit by Receipts	12,029.88	475.26	
Hydrants		2,037.93	
Main Line		946.55	
Meters—			
Read	3,886.81		
Remove and Repair	1,533.96	5,420.77	

Services		6,598.26	
Relay Mains—			
Cumner Ave.	1,357.32		
Dills Ct.	673.73		
Lebanon St.	933.33		
Reading Hill Ave.	189.31		
Wheeler Ave.	1,026.17	4,179.86	18,900.83
Balance			475.00

Highway Repairing

Budget	23,000.00		
Receipts	35.67	23,035.67	
Less—B. of A. Orders		2,016.20	21,019.47
Expended:			
Overhead—			
Expense	2,940.20		
Credits by Receipts	6,213.92		
		3,273.72	
Material—			
Purchases	1,716.30		
Credits by Receipts	1,644.98	71.32	
Catch Basins		1,116.83	
Gravel Walks		77.99	
Guard Rail and Fencing		299.96	
Minor Repairs		452.81	
Street Re-surfacing		5,445.65	
Street Signs and Numbers		918.58	
Tar Patching		8,505.79	
Traffic Painting		617.78	
Minor Charges		56.87	
Repairs by Streets—			
Alden St.	83.37		
Cargill St.	119.30		
Cedar Park	107.18		
Farwell Ave.	198.24		
Hancock St.	273.01		
Hillside Ave.	185.56		
Lake Ave.	33.47		
Lebanon St.	1,094.96		
Linden Rd.	279.62		
Melrose St.	784.85		
Mountain Ave.	255.01		

Naples Rd.	216.72		
North Forest St.	194.42		
Porter St.	23.18		
Prospect St.	333.13		
Robinson Square	21.44		
Sylvan St.	154.29		
Tremont St.	1,730.99		
East Wyoming Ave.	64.00		
Vinton St.	43.75	6,196.49	20,486.35
Balance			533.12

Traffic Signs and Markings

Budget			500.00
Expended:			
Invoices			500.00

Highway Construction

Budget	10,000.00		
Unexpended Balances	1,720.13	11,720.13	
Less—B. of A. Orders		8,925.00	2,795.13
Vinton Street			2,729.53
Balance			65.60

Summary of Net Expenditures—Highway Construction B. of A. Orders from Highway Construction General Account, Tax Levy and 1939 Balances

#4541 Belmont St. Property Improve	6.01	
4291 Birch Hill Rd.	4,866.82	
4292 Ledge St.	1,423.93	
3802B Lynde St. Relocate	918.48	
Mt. Hood:—		
Recreation Bldg. Walks and Road	144.09	
Tower Rd.	274.40	
Pleasant St.—Widen	29.09	
Charles L. Robinson Square	200.00	
Upham Terrace	239.50	
General Account	2,729.53	
Expended		10,831.85

Automotive—Salaries and Wages

Budget	3,000.00	
Less—B. of A. Order	400.00	2,600.00
Expended:		
Payrolls		2,504.91
Balance		95.09

Automotive—Other Expenses

Budget	8,000.00	
B. of A. Order	400.00	
Receipts	286.56	8,686.56
Expended:		
Repairs and Parts	1,257.41	
Gasoline	2,902.18	
Supplies	508.65	
Oil, Grease and Alcohol	410.02	
Tires and Tubes	478.90	
Batteries and Care	119.40	
Garage Rent	144.00	
Telephone	65.82	
Tools	470.52	
Heat, Light and Building Maint.	530.48	
Insurance	1,353.73	
Sundries	83.67	8,324.78
Balance		361.78

Summary of Automotive Accounts

Receipts from use		14,601.27
Salaries and Wages	2,504.91	
Other Expenses	8,324.78	10,829.69
Net Credits above cost of operation		3,771.58

Automotive—New Equipment

Budget	5,700.00
Expended:	
Invoices	5,387.10
Balance	312.90

Purchase of Pick-Up Truck

Balance from 1939	600.00
Expended:	
Invoices	598.00
Balance	2.00

Purchase of Garbage Trucks

Balance from 1939		1,200.00
Expended:		
Invoices		1,200.00

City Yard—Salaries and Wages

Budget		1,580.00
Expended:		
Payrolls	1,556.77	
Invoices	23.23	1,580.00

City Yard—Improvements

Budget		1,500.00
Expended:		
Labor	309.92	
Stock and Overhead	431.30	
Teams and Invoices	260.59	1,001.81
Balance		498.19

Street Lighting

Budget		34,000.00
Expended:		
Invoices		33,834.60
Balance		165.40

Snow Removal and Sanding

Tax Levy	30,000.00	
Estimated Receipts	6,000.00	36,000.00
Expended:		
Plowing	4,156.58	
Removing	23,306.33	
Sanding	4,040.82	
Overhead	3,342.33	
Sundries	260.85	35,106.91
Balance		893.09

Insurance

Budget	6,755.40	
Tax Levy	3,494.60	10,250.00
Expended:		
Invoices		10,248.92
Balance		1.08

Vacations

Tax Levy			5,400.00
Expended:			
Payrolls			5,389.24
Balance			10.76

Pensions

Budget			15,332.00
Expended:			
Payrolls			15,057.21
Balance			274.79

Claims Settled

Or. #3833 Alice Pauline King			50.00

Sewer and Drain Construction

Budget	30,000.00		
B. of A. Orders	1,450.80		
Unexpended Balances	4,658.58	36,109.38	
Less—			
B. of A. Orders		27,285.31	8,824.07
Expended:			
Overhead—			
Expense	3,373.65		
Credits by Receipts	4,588.83	1,215.18	
Material—			
Purchases	2,744.37		
Credits by Receipts	2,125.25	619.12	
Greenleaf Place		84.64	511.42
Drains:—			
Birch Hill Rd.		86.93	
Crescent Ave.		248.38	
Ell Pond Brook		6,045.81	
Melrose St.—			
Basins	106.83		
Brook, Cover	2,132.60	2,239.43	
Messengers Meadow		65.57	
Sanford St.		109.86	
Tremont St.		67.74	8,863.72
Balance			471.77

*—Net Expenditures $8,352.30

Summary of Net Expenditures—Sewer Construction

#2975 Albert St.	12,223.43	
4191 Birch Hill Rd.	32.80	
4669 Conrad Rd.	1,167.49	
4686 Old Brook Rd.	288.76	
4687 Orchard Lane	1,476.94	
4620 Porter St.	2,153.81	
4347 Sherwood Rd.	2,632.24	
**PWA—Docket # Mass. 1389—F. S. East Sewer	13,414.18	
Sewer and Drain Construction—General Acct.	511.42	
**—$12,000 paid off on Bond Issue and not included in above expenditure. Expended		32,878.23

Cost of Sewerage System

Cost of System to January 1, 1940	1,125,988.28
Expended—1940	32,878.23
Cost of System to January 1, 1941	1,158.866.51

Private Sewers—Working Account

Budget	1,000.00		
Committed Items	288.05	1,288.05	
Less—Committed Items		288.05	1,000.00
Expended:			
Labor		194.20	
Stock and Overhead		52.29	
Teams and Invoices		241.96	488.45
Balance			511.55

Private Sewers—Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable—Jan. 1, 1940	239.83	
Committed Items	505.63	745.46
Receipts 1940		535.72
Accounts Receivable Jan. 1, 1941		209.74

Private Sewers—Deposits

Balance 1939	155.00		
Committed Items	288.05		
Deposits	9,582.00	10,025.05	
Less—Refunds		2,572.77	7,452.28
Expended:			
Labor		4,159.51	
Stock and Overhead		2,694.68	
Teams and Invoices		375.87	7,230.06
Balance			222.22

Private Sewers—Deposits Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable Jan. 1, 1940	63.33	
Committed Items	288.05	351.38
Receipts 1940		219.81
Accounts Receivable Jan. 1, 1941		131.57

Sewer Maintenance

Budget		3,000.00
Expended:		
Labor	2,135.04	
Stock and Overhead	421.81	
Teams and Invoices	271.77	2,828.62
Balance		171.38

Sewer Connections

Balance 1939	559.50		
Credits from used connections	588.55	1,148.05	
Less—B. of A. Orders		750.80	397.25
Expended:			
Labor		177.20	
Stock and Overhead		90.23	
Teams and Invoices		97.08	364.51
Balance			32.74

Sewer Connections—South East Section

Tax Levy	5,000.00	
Less—B. of A. Orders	4,700.00	
		300.00
Expended:		
Labor	146.35	
Stock and Overhead	78.11	
Teams and Invoices	10.82	235.28
Balance		64.72

Cost of Surface Drainage System

Cost of System to Jan. 1, 1940		562,114.93
Expended 1940		8,863.72
Cost of System to Jan. 1, 1941		570,978.65

Surface Drainage Maintenance

Budget	7,000.00	
Less—B. of A. Order	700.00	6,300.00
Expended:		
Labor	4,761.23	
Stock and Overhead	800.70	
Teams and Invoices	407.46	5,969.39
Balance		330.61

Summary of Net Expenditures—Continuous Walks

Or. #4542 Birch Hill Road	719.24	
4692 Glendale Avenue	3.50	
4250 Hesseltine Avenue	461.55	
4192a Laurel Street	1,207.60	
4670 Main Street	2.34	
4208 Melrose Street	2,355.54	
4251 Sargent Street	319.85	
4220 Sheffield Road	595.77	
Expenditures by Orders		5,665.39

Continuous Walks

Balance 1939	1,087.51	
Budget	7,500.00	
B. of A. Orders	3,600.00	
Unexpended Balances	3,180.01	15,367.52

Less—B. of A. Orders		11,342.78	4,024.74
Expended:			
Overhead—			
Expense	1,735.24		
Credits by Receipts	609.24	1,126.00	
Material—			
Purchases	4,925.64		
Credits by Receipts	4,932.65	7.01	
Sodding—Net Credit		.74	
		1,118.25	
Granolithic Reserve—1939		1,380.29	2,498.54
Balance			1,526.20

Individual Walks

Budget 1940	500.00		
Deposits and Receipts	1,584.35	2,084.35	
Less—Refunds		332.77	1,751.58
Expended:			
Labor		497.45	
Stock and Overhead		791.41	
Teams and Invoices		121.56	1,410.42
Balance			341.16

Repair of Walks

Budget			7,500.00
Expended:			
Labor		4,067.24	
Stock and Overhead		1,419.61	
Teams and Invoices		2,013.15	7,500.00

Plant New Trees

Budget			350.00
Expended:			
Labor		240.19	
Stock and Overhead		36.44	
Teams and Invoices		73.08	349.71
Balance			.29

W.P.A.—Tree Inventory Plans

Balance 1939		102.21
None Expended.		

Care of Trees

Budget		6,500.00
Expended:		
Labor	5,106.73	
Stock and Overhead	558.13	
Teams and Invoices	706.78	6,371.64
Balance		128.36

WPA—Tree School for Young Men

Balance 1939		81.13
Expended:		
Invoices		60.38
Balance		20.75

WPA—Trees: Trim, Prune and Repair

Balance 1939		86.80
None Expended.		

Collection of Ashes and Rubbish

Budget		14,000.00
Expended:		
Ash Collections	8,337.07	
Paper Collections	3,615.83	
Level Dump	1,477.05	
Liability Insurance	257.27	
Deliver Ash Schedule Notices	269.82	
Sundries	39.25	13,996.29
Balance		3.71

Collection of Garbage

Budget		18,000.00
Expended:		
Labor	13,327.97	
Teams and Invoices	3,518.04	16,846.01
Balance		1,153.99

Street Cleaning

Budget		7,000.00
Expended:		
Labor	5,931.96	
Stock and Overhead	600.56	
Teams and Invoices	195.32	6,727.84
Balance		272.16

Public Works—Salaries and Wages

Budget		14,250.00
Expended:		
Payrolls	14,185.84	
Liability Insurance	4.94	14,190.78
Balance		59.22

Public Works Expense

Budget		1,000.00
Expended:		
Supplies	188.53	
Stationery and Printing	255.32	
Stamps	15.50	
Telephone	166.67	
Calculating Machine	227.50	
Filing Case	33.42	
Service Charge on Burroughs Adding Machine	5.00	
Typewriter repairs	2.15	
Subscriptions	10.00	904.09
Balance		95.91

Engineers—Salaries and Wages

Budget		6,500.00
Expended:		
Payrolls	6,070.00	
Liability Insurance	40.21	6,110.21
Balance		389.79

Engineers' Other Expenses

Budget		900.00
Expended:		
Use of Car	568.00	
Supplies	290.36	
Plans and Recordings	18.70	877.06
Balance		22.94

City Hall—Salaries and Wages

Budget		3,750.00
Payrolls	3,152.00	
Liability Insurance	34.30	3,186.30
Balance		563.70

PWA-Docket Mass. 1507-F—Alterations—City Hall

Balance 1939		2,431.21
Paid on Bond Issue.		2,400.00
Balance		31.21

City Hall—Architects' Fees

Balance 1939		82.25
None Expended.		

City Hall—Other Expense

Budget		8,000.00	
B. of A. Order		1,000.00	9,000.00
Expended:			
Supplies		346.73	
Alterations and Repairs		1,012.47	
Gas		46.82	
Electricity		1,738.29	
Fuel		1,435.90	
Telephone		48.75	
Towel Care		85.77	
Iced Drinking Fountain Expense		60.00	
Sundries—			
Clock Repairs	5.86		
Christmas Decorations	50.00		
Blinds	60.51		
Flag	11.53		
Shrubs	322.00		

Furniture	90.00		
Sand Urns	9.55		
Fill Vase	30.00		
Advertising	12.00		
Peat Moss	4.50		
Water Dept. Stock	4.86		
Speaker System	245.00		
Water Rates	74.24		
New Boiler	2,676.65		
Engineering Fees	188.94		
New Ceiling	275.00		
Miscellaneous	9.60	4,070.24	8,844.97
Balance			155.03

Board of Survey—Other Expenses

Budget		25.00
Invoices		11.50
Balance		13.50

REPORT OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Following is the report of the Registrars of Voters for the year 1940.

During the year 1940, the attention of the Registrars of Voters was principally directed to the carrying out of the following responsibilities:

Listing of all persons 20 years of age and over residing in Melrose on January 1, 1940.

Compilation of annual register of voters for the year 1940.

Conducting sessions for the registration of voters prior to the Presidential Primaries, State Primaries and State Election held in 1940.

Preparation of jury list for 1940.

In the listing of persons for this year, the value of the requirement established that the Assistant Registrars of Voters must obtain the prescribed information over the signature of some responsible person at each building used as a place of residence has manifested itself in two very definite respects. First, the number of omitted listings in 1940, a state-election year, was reduced to 128, a figure which is less than 45% of the number in 1938. Second, the annual determination of population made by the Registrars in 1940 showed a total population for Melrose as of January first of 25,232. The preliminary population figure for Melrose announced following the conclusion of the Federal Decennial Census taken in April was 25,258 and the later corrected figure was 25,333. A comparison of the figures obtained by the local and federal groups, each working entirely independent of the other, appears to indicate unusual thoroughness in investigation and to provide complete assurance that the computation of the number of persons living in the city is exceptionally accurate.

The total number of persons found by the Registrars to be residing in each precinct on January 1, 1940, was as follows:

1-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4-1	4-2
1,606	1,728	1,863	2,101	1,519	1,751	1,571	1,830
5-1	**5-2**	**6-1**	**6-2**	**7-1**	**7-2**	**7-3**	**Total**
1,767	2,158	1,994	1,510	1,270	1,600	964	25,232

The number of persons 20 years of age and over found by the Registrars to be residing in Melrose on January 1, 1940, and included in the street lists of said year, was as follows:

1-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4-1	4-2
1,185	1,298	1,310	1,511	1,187	1,271	1,207	1,222
5-1	**5-2**	**6-1**	**6-2**	**7-1**	**7-2**	**7-3**	**Total**
1,245	1,622	1,463	1,037	899	1,064	641	18,162

Of the names included in such street lists, there were transmitted to the Board of Assessors, as required by law, lists containing the names of those found to be liable to be assessed for poll taxes, to the following number:

1-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4-1	4-2
528	571	608	685	496	569	488	571
5-1	**5-2**	**6-1**	**6-2**	**7-1**	**7-2**	**7-3**	**Total**
574	723	675	466	416	508	313	8,191

Sessions for the registration of voters held previous to Primaries and Elections in 1940 numbered 37, including one in each ward within forty days prior to the State Election, at which a total of 2,886 names were added to the current annual register of voters. The names of 915 persons found to be no longer qualified to vote in this city by reason of death, removal from the city or other causes, were stricken from the register of voters.

The number of registered voters contained in the annual register, revised and corrected as aforesaid, as of December 31, 1940, was as follows:

1-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4-1	4-2
1,065	1,083	1,174	1,260	1,029	1,016	983	1,194
5-1	**5-2**	**6-1**	**6-2**	**7-1**	**7-2**	**7-3**	**Total**
1,038	1,239	1,160	910	787	858	465	15,261

The total number of registered voters indicated above is the largest in the history of the city.

For certification as registered voters of names of signers of nomination papers of candidates at Presidential Primaries, State Primaries and State Election, and of Initiative and Referendum petitions 13 sessions were held and the signatures of 5,363 persons were certified thereon as being registered voters.

Applications of 327 persons for registration as absent voters at the State Election were certified and transmitted to the City Clerk.

The Registrars of Voters were in session continuously during the days on which the Presidential Primaries, State Primaries and State Election were held and, after the closing of the polls, assisted in the tabulation of the votes cast thereat.

Recounts were held of the votes cast at the Presidential Primaries in Ward 3, Precinct 2, and in Ward 5, Precinct 1, for District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party and of the votes cast in Ward 3, Precinct 2, for Delegates-at-Large, Alternate Delegates-at-Large and Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party. A recount was also conducted of all of the votes cast at the State Election for the office of Governor. In each instance, copies of the returns, as amended after the recount, were transmitted to the City Clerk.

Four sessions were held for the purpose of compiling the jury list for the year beginning July 1, 1940. Questionnaires were sent to 350 persons for the purpose of determining their qualifications for Jury service and, from the replies received thereto, 272 persons were found to be qualified and their names were included in the jury list.

The total number of sessions held by the Registrars of Voters during the year 1940 was seventy-three (73).

Respectfully submitted,

Registrars of Voters.

JOHN J. KEATING, Chairman
CHARLES E. HOLT
PHILIP H. DORN
RAYMOND H. GREENLAW, Clerk

REPORT OF CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

To His Honor the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Retirement Board of the Contributory Retirement System of the City of Melrose respectfully submits its fourth annual report covering the transactions of the system for the year ended December 31, 1940.

Respectfully submitted,

Board of Retirement.

GARDNER B. WARDWELL, Chairman
S. HALE HARDING, Secretary
JOHN R. DAVIS

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM CITY OF MELROSE

Statement of Income and Disbursements For the Year Ended December 31, 1940

INCOME

Amount of ledger assets Dec. 31, 1940			$56,106.35
Members Contributions credited to their accounts in the Annuity Savings Fund:			
Regular Contributions, Group I	$12,417.95		
Group II	1,421.45	$13,839.40	
Appropriation by the City for:			
Pension Accumulation Fund	20,566.00		
Expense Fund	375.00	20,941.00	
Interest Received:			
Gross interest on bonds and dividends on stocks, less $224.28 accrued interest on bonds acquired during the year	2,493.37	2,493.37	
Gross profit on sale or maturity of ledger assets	79.65	79.65	
Total income for the year			37,353.42
Total Available Receipts			$93,459.77

DISBURSEMENTS

Annuity payments:			$93,459.77
Group I	71.10		
Group II	3.59	74.69	
Pension payments			
Group I	12,507.26		
Group II	1,826.95	14,334.21	
Refund of Contributions and Interest:		1,249.35	
Administrative Expenses:		398.11	
Decrease by adjustment on value of Bonds	51.43	51.43	
Total Disbursements for the year			16,107.79
Ledger Assets December 31, 1940			$79,622.27

Balance Sheet—December 31, 1940

ASSETS

Investments:		
Bonds—Book Value	$72,303.16	
Savings Bank Account	1,800.00	
Deposits in trust companies and banks not on interest	5,519.11	$79,622.27
Total Ledger Assets		$79,622.27
Non-Ledger Assets		
Interest due and accrued on Bonds not in default	717.82	717.82
Gross Assets		$80,340.09
Total Admitted Assets		$80,340.09

LIABILITIES

Annuity Saving Funds:		
Group I	39,416.01	
Group II	2,880.86	42,296.87
Annuity Reserve Fund:		
Group I	431.75	
Group II	38.10	469.85
Pension Accumulation Fund:		
Group I	36,455.17	
Group II	445.34	36,900.51

Expense Fund	205.85
Undistributed Earnings	467.01
Total Liabilities	$80,340.09

Schedule of Bonds—December 31, 1940

	Effective Interest Rate	Bond Value	Par Value
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Rwy. Co. 4's due Oct. 1995	3.70	$ 3,218.04	$ 3,000
Chesepeake & Ohio Rwy. Co. 4½'s due March 1992	3.60	6,200.70	5,000
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R. R. Ill. Div. 4's due July 1949	3.96	5,039.49	5,000
Great Northern Rwy. Co. Gen. Mtg. Conv. Ser. H. 4's due July 1946	4.23	1,925.33	2,000
Northern Pacific Rwy. Co. Prior Lien 4's due Jan. 1997	4.05	1,480.20	1,500
Union Pacific R. R. Co. 1st Lien 4's due June 1980	3.397	5,150.83	5,000
Total Railroad		$23,014.59	$21,500
Central Ill. Pub. Serv. Co. 3¾'s due Dec. 1968	3.65	5,109.05	5,000
Central Maine Power Co. 3½'s due Aug. 1966	3.29	5,314.86	5,000
Consumers Power Co. 1st Mtg. 3½'s due Nov. 1967	3.31	5,268.62	5,000
Duquesne Light Co. 3½'s due Jun. 1965	3.26	4,279.67	4,000
Jersey Central Power & Light Co. 3½'s due Mar. 1965	3.35	5,148.65	5,000
Lake Superior District Power Co. 3½'s due Oct. 1966	3.278	4,263.86	4,000
Metropolitan Edison Co., 1st Mtg. Series G 4's due May 1965	3.75	5,305.48	5,000
New York State Elec. & Gas Corp. 3¾'s due May 1964	3.554	5,271.90	5,000
Northern Indiana Pub. Ser. Co. 3¾'s due Aug. 1969	3.75	4,000.00	4,000
Providence Gas Co. 1st Mtg. 4's due Feb. 1963	3.747	5,326.48	5,000
Total Utilities Bonds		$49,288.57	$47,000
Totals		$72,303.16	$68,500

SCHEDULE OF RETIRED MEMBERS—December 31, 1940

Name	Position	Date of Retirement	Length of Service	Age at Retirement	Amt. of Annuity	Amt. of Pension	Total Amoun
Retired Members, January 1, 1940:							
Victor C. Kirmes	City Clerk	Aug. 1, 1937	55 yrs.	81 yrs.	$ 0.00	$1,475.04	$1,475.04
Charles Trentsch	Laborer	Sept. 28, 1937	12 yrs.	77 yrs.	0.00	40.00	40.00
Charles J. Critchett	School Janitor	Sept. 28, 1937	36 yrs.	75 yrs.	0.00	828.00	828.00
Albert J. Waghorne	Assistant Supt.	Oct. 26, 1937	41 yrs.	76 yrs.	0.00	1,247.52	1,247.52
**Denis Cronin	Laborer	Aug. 24, 1937	8 yrs.	70 yrs.	1.40	465.26	466.66
Charles C. Garey	Custodian	Dec. 1, 1937	25 yrs.	76 yrs.	0.00	1,002.36	1,002.36
Michael J. Hanley	Dog Officer	Sept. 28, 1937	38 yrs.	72 yrs.	0.00	480.00	480.00
Mrs. Hattie D. Hall	Librarian	Nov. 21, 1937	16 yrs.	70 yrs.	2.76	477.24	480.00
Mary A. Kenah	Soldiers' Relief Agent	April 14, 1938	23 yrs.	70 yrs.	5.64	474.36	480.00
Harry M. Wilson	Lineman	April 15, 1938	10 yrs.	63 yrs.	4.68	200.16	204.84
John E. Smith	Call Fireman	July 1, 1938	40 yrs.	60 yrs.	.72	130.68	131.40
Edwin L. Cragin	Registrar	July 1, 1938	38 yrs.	70 yrs.	1.32	132.00	133.32
Arthur A. Hayden	Board of Health	Dec. 19, 1938	18 yrs.	70 yrs.	.36	33.00	33.36
Frank C. Newman	Chief Fire Dept.	June 15, 1939	34 yrs.	73 yrs.	0.00	1,598.40	1,598.40
*Thomas Hallahan	Laborer	June 20, 1939	24 yrs.	70 yrs.	17.38	504.99	522.37
Charles F. Woodward	Asst. Supt.	June 30, 1939	47 yrs.	70 yrs.	37.56	1,475.04	1,512.60
Charles H. Shattuck	Janitor	June 30, 1939	8 yrs.	75 yrs.	0.00	480.00	480.00
Andrew W. H. Restall	Clerk	June 30, 1939	13 yrs.	73 yrs.	0.00	480.00	480.00
Retirements during 1940:							
William C. Jodrey	Call Fireman	April 9, 1940	35 yrs.	65 yrs.	3.20	109.12	112.32
			Totals		$75.02	$11,633.17	$11,708.19

*Died Oct. 27, 1940
**Died Dec. 21, 1940

Schedule of Membership for December 31, 1940
Active Members

	Members Eligible for Prior Service Credit			Members not Eligible for Prior Service Credit			
	Group I		Group II	Group I		Group II	
	Men	Women		Men	Women		Total Membership
Membership, December 31, 1939	91	29	6	50	6	17	199
Enrolled during 1940	0	0	0	11	3	4	18
Total	91	29	6	61	9	21	217
Deaths		1					1
Withdrawals	1	2		7	3	1	14
Retirements—Superannuation			1				1
Total deductions	1	3	1	7	3	1	16
Total Membership Dec. 31, 1940	90	26	5	54	6	20	201

Pensioners

Membership, December 31, 1939	14	2	2				18
Retirements—Superannuation			1				1
Total	14	2	3				19
Deaths	2						2
Total deductions	2						2
Total Membership Dec. 31, 1940	12	2	3				17
Total Membership Dec. 31, 1940	102	28	8	54	6	20	218

Summary of the Number and Annual Salaries of Active Members as of December 31, 1940

	Number	Full Annual Salaries
Members Eligible for Prior Service Credit:		
Group I—Male	90	$153,244.00
Female	26	35,699.00
Group II	5	825.00
Members not Eligible for Prior Service Credit:		
Group I—Male	54	52,765.00
Female	6	6,482.00
Group II	20	29,140.00
Total active membership December 31, 1940	201	$278,155.00

REPORT OF SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

School Department 1940

OFFICERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Chairman, BENNING L. WENTWORTH
Corres. Secretary, MRS. MARGARET H. LANG
Recording Secretary, HERMAN H. STUART

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

Name and Residence	Telephone	Term Expires
Charles H. Adams 25 Rowe Street	Office Mel. 2120-W Res. Mel. 2120-R	1941
Warren L. Adams 12 W. Emerson Street	Office Mel. 0456 Res. Mel. 1906-J	1943
Robert A. Friend 43 Spring Street	Office Mel. 0354 Res. Crys. 1239	1941
Mrs. Margaret H. Lang 45 Frances Street	Res. Mel. 4297	1941
Kenneth L. Maclachlan 1 Bellevue Avenue	Office Mel. 1256	1943
Edward J. Wall 32 Melbourne Avenue	Office Ken. 8840 Res. Mel. 0202-W	1941
Anna C. Washburn 51 First Street	Res. Mel. 1656	1943
Benning L. Wentworth 75 Beech Avenue	Office Lib. 9410 Res. Mel. 1589-W	1943
Lester N. Woodland 49 Ardsmoor Road	Office Arl. 0180 Res. Mel. 0995	1943

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held in the Committee Room, Calvin Coolidge School, on the first Monday of every month, except July and August, at 8.00 p. m.

Superintendent of Schools

Herman H. Stuart, 6 York Terrace
Office: Calvin Coolidge School
Telephone Office, Melrose 2284 and 2285.
Residence, Melrose 2690.
Secretary: Ethel M. Spaulding, 81 Lynde Street, Tel. Mel. 2868-W
Financial Secretary: Emily N. Osgood, 654-A Main Street,
Tel. Melrose 4587-W

Annual Report of Superintendent of Schools

(Complete copies of the annual report of the Superintendent of Schools may be obtained at the Superintendent's office.)

TABLE I

School Year	School Census	No. of different pupils enrolled in elementary schools exclusive of re-enrollment	No. of different pupils enrolled in High School exclusive of re-enrollment	Average membership in elementary schools	Average membership in High School	Average attendance in elementary schools	Average attendance in High School	No. of graduates from High School	No. of graduates from grammar schools
1920-21	4,015	2,412	647	2,309.36	608.89	2,200.92	582.07	121	214
1921-22	3,925	2,446	677	2,377.92	642.41	2,229.98	620.21	89	228
1922-23	3,079	2,570	715	2,447.18	736.37	2,259.76	705.92	111	177
1923-24	3,244	2,548	790	2,423.27	803.62	2,292.52	774.46	136	239
1924-25	3,657	2,564	888	2,497.10	831.69	2,345.91	798.18	167	228
1925-26	3,700	2,645	911	2,528.00	870.46	2,356.61	841.42	177	222
1926-27	3,685	2,708	945	2,609.63	915.44	2,494.89	892.57	169	230
1927-28		2,771	1,023	2,709.62	978.06	2,562.24	943.52	183	299
1928-29		2,854	1,087	2,789.19	1,065.85	2,611.80	1,009.23	218	240
1929-30		2,970	1,116	2,877.79	1,076.33	2,714.84	1,028.85	192	251
1930-31		3,005	1,136	2,941.75	1,130.88	2,788.58	1,080.71	225	274
1931-32		3,002	1,223	2,917.76	1,206.61	2,754.75	1,150.69	249	282
1932-33		3,025	1,327	2,916.32	1,257.65	2,753.65	1,195.28	245	261
1933-34		2,990	1,359	2,894.60	1,289.62	2,727.04	1,231.48	267	286
1934-35		2,984	1,377	2,923.17	1,343.75	2,760.98	1,272.90	283	295
1935-36		2,897	1,426	2,831.15	1,371.61	2,698.33	1,311.57	285	298
1936-37		2,935	1,423	2,872.31	1,371.29	2,715.12	1,313.28	271	325
1937-38		2,923	1,438	2,827.05	1,424.60	2,678.43	1,359.30	324	308
1938-39		2,743	1,522	2,697.30	1,468.37	2,567.96	1,375.61	318	259
1939-40		2,785	1,453	2,732.18	1,429.19	2,612.83	1,363.96	331	286

TABLE II

Percentage of Pupils Belonging June 1940 Who Failed of Promotion

Schools	GRADES 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total Average Percent Failed
Coolidge	13.64	3.12	2.86	0.00	5.71	2.56	7.18	3.68	4.88
Franklin			3.89	5.08	5.36	3.39			4.43
Gooch	4.55	0.00	0.00	8.82		0.00			2.67
Lincoln	6.38	8.16	8.33	6.35	0.00	1.40	14.94	8.33	6.74
Ripley	23.08	18.18	4.00	10.53	13.33	15.00			14.02
Roosevelt					0.00	0.00	13.86	4.67	4.63
Warren	0.00	12.50	2.86	2.78					4.54
Washington	14.71	8.33	5.71	7.89	0.00	3.70			8.06
Whittier	0.00	0.00							0.00
Winthrop	0.00	3.45	5.48	10.71	3.85	5.33			4.80
Total Average	7.80	6.72	4.14	6.52	4.04	3.92	11.99	5.56	6.34

Percentage of Pupils Belonging June 1940 Who Were Conditioned

Schools	GRADES 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total Average Percent Conditioned
Coolidge	9.09	3.12	2.86	0.00	8.57	7.68	15.38	18.95	8.21
Franklin			5.19	5.08	1.79	6.78			4.71
Gooch	9.09	0.00	0.00	2.94		0.00			2.41
Lincoln	2.13	0.00	0.00	7.94	4.35	23.94	10.34	22.22	8.87
Ripley	0.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	15.00			5.83
Roosevelt					0.00	5.41	15.84	15.89	9.29
Warren	0.00	6.25	2.86	19.44					7.14
Washington	2.94	0.00	5.71	7.89	4.65	3.70			4.15
Whittier	0.00	1.59							.80
Winthrop	11.11	8.62	2.74	5.36	16.67	12.00			9.42
Total Average	4.30	2.45	4.92	6.08	5.15	9.31	13.85	19.02	8.15

TABLE III

PERCENTAGE OF PUPILS WHO FAILED OF PROMOTION
1936—1940

Grades	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	Total Average Percent Failed
I	10.02	8.50	6.66	6.14	7.80	7.82
II	6.02	2.28	4.19	2.11	6.72	4.26
III	4.52	8.80	2.50	5.86	4.14	5.16
IV	2.91	7.38	5.07	4.66	6.52	5.31
V	3.79	1.56	4.05	5.66	4.04	3.82
VI	2.67	4.43	5.51	3.50	3.92	4.01
VII	6.92	8.53	9.36	8.88	11.99	9.14
VIII	2.38	5.04	5.74	7.04	5.56	5.15
Total Average	4.90	5.81	5.39	5.48	6.34	5.58

Percentage of Pupils Who Were Conditioned—1936–1940

Grades	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	Total Average Percent Condi-tioned
I	8.89	8.18	5.01	4.23	4.30	6.12
II	1.23	5.30	2.11	1.29	2.45	2.48
III	5.38	8.33	7.60	7.10	4.92	6.67
IV	7.60	8.43	4.36	7.72	6.08	6.84
V	8.70	11.31	3.94	2.86	5.15	6.39
VI	7.39	13.53	10.66	18.74	9.31	11.93
VII	8.41	11.23	13.76	13.35	13.85	12.12
VIII	13.88	9.38	13.35	11.94	19.02	13.51
Total Average	7.69	9.46	7.60	8.40	8.15	8.26

TABLE IV

SHOWING TOTAL ENROLLMENT BY AGES AND GRADES -- AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1940

Age	GRADES													
	Sp.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	P. G.	Total
5 yrs. old (5 to 6)		114													114
6 yrs. old (6 to 7)		162	92												254
7 yrs. old		8	164	96	13										281
8 yrs. old		2	16	150	118										286
9 yrs. old	3	1	1	35	168	107									315
10 yrs. old	6		1	5	46	167	89								314
11 yrs. old	4			1	11	40	180	87		1					324
12 yrs. old	8					18	58	209	77	8					378
13 yrs. old	6					3	12	51	195	101	1				369
14 yrs. old	8						6	23	54	187	94	3			375
15 yrs. old	5						1	9	27	65	159	125	1		392
16 yrs. old	2						1		6	21	49	176	105		360
17 yrs. old	1									3	12	47	161	13	237
18 yrs. old											7	14	40	7	68
19 yrs. old												2	8	4	14
Total	43	287	274	287	356	335	347	379	359	386	322	367	315	24	4,081

TABLE V

FINANCIAL SUMMARY—JANUARY 1, 1940 to JANUARY 1, 1941

	Asked for by School Committee	Approp. by Board of Aldermen	Plus or Minus Transfers and Credits	Net Appropriations	Expenditures	Balances
1. Salaries	$346,010.63	$345,000.00	—$845.00	$344,155.00	$343,899.08	+$255.92
2. Textbooks and Supplies	14,000.00	14,000.00	+ 200.00	14,200.00	14,194.60	+ 5.40
3. Other General Expenses	2,575.00	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,499.84	+ .16
4. Plant — Operation and Maintenance	44,150.00	40,000.00	+ 683.84	40,683.84	40,682.41	+ 1.43
Total	$406,735.63	$401,500.00	+$ 38.84	$401,538.84	$401,275.93	+$262.91
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS						
Washington School Playground	$ 1,200.00	$ 500.00	0.00	$ 500.00	$ 453.70	$ 46.30
Interior and Exterior Painting — WPA	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	999.59	.41
Renewal Classroom Floors	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00	2,998.34	1.66
High School Fire Loss	103.00	103.00	0.00	103.00	103.00	0.00
Carried over from 1939						
Paint, Stair Treatment, Supplies — WPA	340.27	340.27	0.00	340.27	340.27	0.00
High School Repairs:—						
Waterproofing	18.02	18.02	0.00	18.02	0.00	18.02
Tar & Gravel Fabric on Copper Flashing	30.77	30.77	0.00	30.77	0.00	30.77
Renewal Window Sashes	134.67	134.67	0.00	134.67	132.16	2.51
Fire Escape Repairing	11.71	11.71	0.00	11.71	0.00	11.71
Plant — Gooch School Boiler	406.85	406.85	0.00	406.85	405.79	1.06
Plant — High School Roof	3,464.87	3,464.87	0.00	3,464.87	3,071.40	393.47
Lincoln School Fire Loss	79.60	79.60	0.00	79.60	79.57	.03
Total	$ 9,789.76	$ 9,089.76	0.00	$ 9,089.76	$ 8,583.82	$505.94
Grand Total	$416,525.39	$410,589.76	+$ 38.84	$410,628.60	$409,859.75	$768.85

TABLE VI

DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENSES BY SCHOOLS, FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1940

Schools	General Control	Other Expenses	Teachers and Principals	Textbooks	Supplies	Janitors' Services	Janitors' Supplies	Fuel	Water	Light and Power	General Repairs	Furniture and Furnishings	Tuition	Transportation	Totals
High		$487.07	$120,143.12	$2,724.72	$3,351.55	$7,619.99	$135.20	$2,238.99	$333.83	$2,389.32	$3,241.16	$161.92			$142,826.87
Coolidge		18.70	39,620.99	1,061.08	855.90	3,505.41	279.34	3,492.63	107.60	1,328.07	2,556.76	265.58			53,091.46
Franklin			14,138.74	294.02	286.42	1,685.14	120.33	746.29	66.19	110.36	475.20	429.50			18,352.19
Gooch			8,598.20	272.64	150.33	1,673.14	45.00	573.92	18.72	143.42	259.73	17.50			11,752.60
Lincoln		15.72	36,507.39	803.09	845.71	2,493.97	167.85	2,076.94	108.78	704.65	2,120.40	25.72			45,870.22
Ripley			7,834.20	115.47	72.26	1,568.57	63.19	581.85	28.71	149.35	685.68				11,099.29
Roosevelt		12.22	22,407.56	383.63	806.71	1,897.54	110.78	1,123.75	98.04	481.15	962.41				28,283.79
Warren			5,416.61	83.53	99.68	949.28	62.16	860.80	44.78	68.35	329.28				7,914.47
Washington			11,405.45	291.74	244.70	1,777.71	116.13	1,087.99	101.37	212.20	580.13				15,817.42
Whittier			6,569.91	120.57	241.16	949.29	40.00	714.13	12.53	34.89	178.27				8,860.75
Winthrop		2.00	23,806.92	582.43	507.26	1,681.14	140.28	1,346.75	151.09	363.83	740.33				29,322.03
All		391.74	12,846.23			202.58		3.75				83.60			13,527.90
Tuition													$3882.55		3,882.55
Transportation														$502.00	502.00
General Control	$10,172.39														10,172.39
Total	$10,172.39	$927.45	$309,295.32	$6,732.92	$7,461.68	$26,003.76	$1,280.26	$14,847.80	$1,071.04	$5,985.59	$12,129.35	$983.82	$3,882.55	$502.00	$401,275.93

TABLE VII

Cost per Pupil Average Membership, Fiscal Year 1940

		High	Elementary
General Control		$ 3,478.96	$ 6,693.43
General Control, per pupil		2.47	2.47
Teachers' Salaries		120,143.12	189,152.20
Teachers' Salaries, per pupil		85.20	69.82
Textbooks		2,724.72	4,008.20
Textbooks, per pupil		1.93	1.48
Supplies		3,351.55	4,110.13
Supplies, per pupil		2.38	1.52
Operation of School Plant		12,717.33	36,471.12
Operation of School Plant, per pupil		9.02	13.46
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds (excluding Special Appropriations)		3,403.08	9,710.09
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds, per pupil		2.41	3.58
Other Expenses		487.07	440.38
Other Expenses, per pupil		.345	.16
Tuition—Vocational and Evening Schools	$3,882.55		
Transportation	502.00		

Year	Expenditure for Support of Public Schools from All Sources per pupil	Average for 39 Cities in the State	Rank among the 39 Cities in the State
1936	88.32	100.27	16
1937	91.37	101.49	14
1938	90.65	103.46	21
1939	97.55	105.98	14
1940	98.39	107.99	15

TABLE VIII

Showing Enrollment, Attendance, etc., for the

School Year Ending June 30, 1940

1. By Schools

School	Number of different pupils enrolled exclusive of re-enrollment	Number of boys	Number of girls	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
High	1,453	712	741	1,429.19	1,363.96	95.44
Coolidge	584	284	300	580.76	556.58	95.85
Franklin	257	141	116	257.09	247.09	95.94
Gooch	125	59	66	124.55	118.85	95.40
Lincoln	531	288	243	522.44	498.95	95.32
Ripley	106	49	57	105.32	101.12	95.66
Roosevelt	297	140	157	283.07	273.26	96.62
Warren	100	50	50	99.00	93.85	94.48
Washington	221	132	89	210.36	201.10	95.55
Whittier	128	63	65	124.84	115.66	92.60
Winthrop	436	226	210	424.75	406.37	95.60
Total	4,238	2,144	2,094	4,161.37	3,976.79	95.45

2. By Grades

Grade	Number of different pupils enrolled exclusive of re-enrollment	Number of boys	Number of girls	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
Post Graduate	24	11	13	21.57	20.58	95.42
Senior	333	167	166	334.48	319.95	95.65
Junior	351	168	183	337.16	319.68	94.82
Sophomore	400	197	203	393.12	373.66	95.05
Freshman	345	169	176	342.86	330.09	96.27
Eighth	379	204	175	368.67	356.42	96.73
Seventh	382	191	191	379.28	365.94	96.46
Sixth	356	173	183	351.23	338.28	96.32
Fifth	349	184	165	338.13	323.96	95.91
Fourth	342	162	180	338.18	324.38	96.00
Third	366	182	184	358.52	342.53	95.48
Second	280	143	137	277.78	262.94	94.55
First	279	151	128	269.57	250.43	93.21
Special	52	42	10	50.82	47.95	94.37
Total	4,238	2,144	2,094	4,161.37	3,976.79	95.45

TABLE IX

Number of Teachers in Different Departments
January 1, 1941

Elementary

Number full-time women teachers, excluding non-teaching principals	92	
Number full-time men	6	
Number non-teaching principals—women	3	
Number non-teaching principals—men	1	
Number special teachers and supervisors—women	4	
Number part-time teachers—women	4	
	—	110

High

Number full-time teachers—women	27	
Number full-time teachers (excluding principal)—men	22	
Number full-time principals	1	
Number part-time teachers—women	2	
Number part-time teachers—men	0	
Number medical advisers	1	
	—	53
		163

TABLE X

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

September 1939 to June 1940

Number of cases investigated	71
Number found to be truants or absentees	51
Number of complaints in court	2
Number placed on probation by court	2
Number sentenced to training school	0
Number found working without certificates	1
Number of visits to schools	58
Number of visits to homes	64

TABLE XI

Dental Examination Report—Grades 1-8 Inclusive
School Year 1939-40

Number pupils examined in schools	2,747
Number pupils needing dental attention	633
Number pupils with all necessary dental work done	2,114
Per cent needing attention	23.04
Per cent satisfactory	76.95

Melrose Hospital Clinic

Number appointments	829
Number patients	397
Number examinations	31
Number extractions	380
Number fillings	81
Number prophylaxes	344
Number treatments	81

TABLE XII

Average Age of Pupils in the Different Grades—October 1, 1940

Primary:	
Grade 1	6 years 2 months
Grade 2	7 years 1 month
Grade 3	8 years 2 months
Grade 4	9 years 3 months
Grammar:	
Grade 5	10 years 5 months
Grade 6	11 years 6 months
Grade 7	12 years 7 months
Grade 8	13 years 6 months
High:	
Freshman	14 years 3 months
Sophomore	15 years 6 months
Junior	16 years 4 months
Senior	17 years 2 months
Post Graduate	18 years 1 month

TABLE XIII

Number of Children Enrolled in After-School Classes November 1, 1940

Piano	76
Trumpets	1
Art	36
Band—Advanced	47
Band—Elementary	38
Dancing	92

INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL BUILDINGS

MELROSE, MASSACHUSETTS

Name	When Built
Whittier	1884
Gooch	1886
Livermore	1891
Warren	1892
Franklin	1896
Lincoln (original building)	1896
Lincoln (addition)	1930
Washington (original building)	1896
Washington (addition)	1924
Coolidge (original building)	1897
Coolidge (addition)	1908
Coolidge Gymnasium	1936
Roosevelt	1924
Ripley (original building)	1924
Ripley (addition)	1930
Winthrop	1926
High	1933

ESTIMATED VALUE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

January 1, 1941

School	Bldgs.	Land	Furnishings
High	$ 712,500	$ 17,800	$ 50,000
Coolidge	350,000	58,000	26,800
Lincoln	260,000	9,000	20,000
Winthrop	190,000	3,000	14,000
Roosevelt	177,000	2,000	15,000
Washington	137,000	5,000	7,500
Ripley	84,000	4,000	3,500
Franklin	86,261	10,000	4,872
Gooch	67,880	4,500	4,750
Livermore	50,000	6,600	1,500
Warren	25,119	3,000	2,500
Whittier	24,863	3,000	2,500
	$2,164,623	$125,900	$152,922
Washington Playground	$5,000		
Hesseltine School Lot	8,000		

RESULTS OF HEARING TESTS WITH AUDIOMETER

September, 1940

Number of pupils tested	3,468
Number of pupils on first test showing a hearing loss of 9 or more sensation units in one or both ears	318
Number of pupils retested	318
Number of pupils on retest showing a hearing loss of more than 9 sensation units in one or both ears	60
Per cent of pupils tested showing hearing defects	2%
Number of parents notified	60
Number of parents included in above who were notified last year	19

GENERAL STATISTICS

Population of Melrose	25,258
Number of different pupils enrolled, exclusive of re-enrollment school year 1939-40	4,238
Number in High School	1,453
Number in Elementary Schools	2,785
Total approved school bills, fiscal year 1940 (Support)	$401,275.93
Total approved school bills, fiscal year 1940 (Special Appropriations)	$8,583.82
Amount expended for High School, fiscal year 1940 (exclusive of General Control)	$143,203.87
Cost per pupil in High School, based upon average membership Jan. 1, 1940 to Jan. 1, 1941 (1410)	$101.56
Amount expended for Elementary Schools, fiscal year 1940 (exclusive of General Control)	$244,017.12
Cost per pupil in Elementary Schools based upon average membership Jan. 1, 1940 to Jan. 1, 1941 (2709)	$90.08
Amount expended for tuition (evening high)	$16.20
Amount expended for tuition (vocational schools)	$3,866.35
Number of School Nurses, January 1, 1941	2
Number of Full Time Special Teachers and Supervisors, January 1, 1941	5
Number of Part Time Special Teachers and Supervisors, January 1, 1941	2
Number of Full Time High School Teachers, including principal, January 1, 1941	50
Number of Part Time High School Teachers, Jan. 1, 1941	2*
Number of Full Time Elementary Teachers, including principals, January, 1941	102
Number of Part Time Elementary Teachers, Jan. 1, 1941	3
Number of pupils enrolled per full time teacher in High School, excluding principal, Jan. 1, 1941	28
Number of pupils enrolled per full time teacher in Elementary Schools, excluding non-teaching principals, Jan. 1, 1941	28

*Two also serve in grades

MELROSE HIGH SCHOOL HONOR LIST
(All A and B Averages for Four Years)

Martha A. Bean
John Stanley Brady
Barbara W. Bragdon
Robert Hopkins Brower
Mary Jane Buckley
Lora E. Coombs
M. Eleanor Cox
Richard Foster Garrard
Elaine Greenlaw
Priscilla Louise Jefts
Marylen Dorothy Leving
Ruth Doris Lofberg
Mary-Effie MacDonald
Priscilla Eleanor Means
Bruce R. Park
David H. Paul
Castle Reed
Virginia Ballard Simons
David Stevens
Virginia Tibbetts
Barbara M. Vaughan
Charles Perley Wadland
Marion Louise Wells

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Leicester Sargent Johnston, Jr. John D. Swenson

PRIZES AWARDED JUNE 1940

Levi Gould Medal
Mary Jane Buckley

Boston University	Mary Jane Buckley
Washington and Franklin Medal	Castle Reed
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (medal)	Wallace J. Manson
Daughters of the American Revolution of the State of Massachusetts	Virginia Tibbetts
Melrose Highlands Woman's Club	Mary-Effie MacDonald
Ruth Ansell Morrison Scholarship	Shirley Moore
Masque and Wig Dramatic Club	Maurine MacHugh
Leland Powers School	Maurine MacHugh
Per Aspera	Perley Wadland
Phi Theta Chi Scholarship in Memory of Dorothy E. Wilson	Virginia Tibbetts
Omicron Delta Fraternity	Robert H. Brower
Melrose Teachers Club	Eleanor Barber
Melrose High School Parent-Teachers Association	
Martha Bean	Bruce Park
Marylen Leving	Virginia Simons
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (scholarship)	Richard Irwin Else
Harvard Club of Boston (book)	Roger E. Washburn
Phi Beta Kappa Association (books)	Robert H. Brower

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Weighing and Measuring Devices

Scales	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Platform, 5,000 to 10,000 lbs.		3		
Platform, 100 to 5,000 lbs.		23		
Counter, under 100 lbs.	1	19	1	
Beam, 100 to 5,000		1		
Beam, under 100 lbs.		27		
Spring, 100 to 5,000 lbs.		12		
Spring, under 100 lbs.		98		1
Computing, under 100 lbs.	2	105		1
Personal weighing (slot)		23		1
Prescription		12		
Weights				
Avoirdupois		192		
Apothecary		90		
Metric		61		
Volumetric Measures				
Liquid Measures under 1 gal.		82		1
Glass Graduates		43		
Oil Jars				5
Dry Measures		2		
Fuel Baskets		1		
Automatic Liquid Measures				
Gasoline Pumps	17	91	6	
Gasoline Meter Systems	2	4		
Oil Pumps		3		
Bulk Station Meter Systems	1	2	1	
Grease Measuring Devices		48		
Linear Measures				
Yard Sticks		22		
Cloth-measuring Devices		1		
Totals	23	965	8	9

Trial Weighings and Measurements of Commodities Sold or put up for Sale

Commodity	Total	Correct	Under
Beans	4	3	1
Bread	23	22	1
Butter	28	28	
Coal (in paper bags)	12	12	
Coal (in transit)	9	9	
Dry Commodities	9	9	
Fruits and Vegetables	2	2	
Kindling Wood (in paper bags)	9	9	
Lard	27	27	
Meats and Provisions	17	16	1
Potatoes	19	19	
Onions	7	7	
Totals	166	163	3

Inspections

Paper or fibre cartons	37	
Peddlers' licenses	14	
Milk jars	65	
Coal certificates	27	
Clinical therm. (drug stores)	11	
Peddlers' scales	12	
Ice scales	12	not
Junk scales	4	marked
Cream jars	65	1
Fuel meters	59	
Egg cartons (markings)	65	2
Markings		
Bread	69	
Food pkgs.	56	
Coal in paper bags	12	
Kindling wood paper bags	9	
Totals	517	3

Cost of Department

Salary and Wages	$1,000.00
Other Expenses	250.81
	$1,250.81

Receipts

Fees, Sealing	128.02
Licenses	90.00
	$218.02

Inventory, Equipment and Supplies

All equipment lost or damaged during remodelling of City Hall has been replaced.

The work of this department has gradually increased in scope during the thirteen years of the incumbency of the present Sealer. It compares very favorably with similar departments throughout the State.

Respectfully submitted,

WESLEY H. MURRAY, Sealer

REPORT OF SOLDIERS' RELIEF DEPARTMENT

To His Honor, Mayor Robert A. Perkins,
and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit the following report of the Department of Soldiers' Benefits for the year 1940. With the normal tendency throughout the Commonwealth being an increase in the figures of similar departments over the preceding year, this department's report is for practically the same amounts as for 1939.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Salary and Wages		$ 1,000.00
Expended	$ 1,000.00	
	1,000.00	1,000.00

OTHER EXPENSES

Appropriation		400.00
Expended	399.72	
Balance	0.28	
	400.00	400.00

STATE AID

(Refunded in full by the State)

Appropriation		1,500.00
Expended	1,120.00	
Balance	380.00	
	1,500.00	1,500.00

MILITARY AID

(One half refunded by the State)

Appropriation		1,000.00
Expended	997.00	
Balance	3.00	
	1,000.00	1,000.00

SOLDIERS' BURIAL

Balance from 1939		100.00
Appropriation		200.00
Expended	100.00	
Balance	200.00	
	300.00	300.00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation		29,000.00
Expended	28,721.29	
Cash Refunds		420.10
Balance	698.81	
	$29,420.10	$29,420.10

ITEMIZED SOLDIERS' RELIEF EXPENDITURES

Cash	$21,016.30
Groceries	705.01
Fuel	1,868.06
Milk	99.74
Hospitals, Doctors and Nurses	1,354.81
Medicine	329.34
Shoes and Clothing	1,015.42
Board and Rent	2,213.04
Miscellaneous	119.57
	$28,721.29

Respectfully submitted,

WILLARD THOMPSON
Agent

REPORT OF WIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and
Board of Aldermen
Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the annual report of the Wire Department for the year ending December 31, 1940.

Fire Alarm System

Nineteen miles of weatherproof wire were pulled in.
Two hundred and seventy five cross arms were installed.
Eleven hundred and ninety two inspections were made of box movements.
Four hundred and ten feet of tree molding were installed.
All boxes were painted one coat of fire alarm red.
Nine new boxes were installed.

Police Signal System

Twelve miles of weatherproof wire were pulled in.
One hundred and sixty one cross arms were installed.
Three hundred and one batteries were replaced at Police Headquarters.
One thousand and twenty one inspections of box movements were made, making necessary repairs.
All boxes and red light pedestals were painted.
Two new boxes were installed.

Traffic Signals

One hundred and three inspections were made of control boxes making repairs and adjustments.
Two hundred and twenty four lamps were replaced.
All control boxes and poles were painted.

Inspection of Wires

Four hundred and eighty three inspections were made on oil burners.
Five hundred and eighty four inspections on sealed meters.
One hundred and sixty three inspections on defects.
Eight hundred and twenty one repairs, alterations and additional wiring making a total of twenty two hundred and fifty two inspections.
Two hundred and two permits issued to the Malden Electric Co. allowing current to be turned on.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. EDWARDS
Inspector of Wires

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